
The Cleobury Clarion



SERVING CLEOBURY COUNTRY

AUGUST 2023

THIS IS A DISGRACE

It's just outside the main gate to Lacon Childe School on Love Lane, a prize example of neglect. It has been filled in the past, but here it is again, even bigger than before, and deeper too. Local folk will know of the threat and avoid it, but visitors to the town could be in for a nasty shock. And if a cyclist should travel down the lane in the dark and hit it, goodness knows what harm that could bring. This ugly mess is an insult to the town and we do hope that suitable words will be directed to the highways authority.

Wake up, Shropshire!



THIS IS AN APOLOGY

Putting the Clarion together in the early days of me using this Apple Mac system there were times when I wanted to throw the damned thing down the stairs from the space I call my office. We have almost become friends as time passed, but when my machine begins to show its age and decides not to put a particular letter on the page, getting the Clarion together is a test of character. I am typing this at 4.00am, awake after a few hours sleep and starting the process of checking every page to see if the letter p is correctly used. 'Highways'. Hitting the key that should put it on this page doesn't work and requires a time absorbing process that is not good for my temper. There are other faults, but let's not go there. If there are errors in this edition I do apologise, but I am only human. Sadly, my computer will not, it is very clever but certainly not human. *Jim Revnolds*

LET'S BE POSITIVE

I know from conversations with friends that many are ignoring news bulletins simply because they're down in the dumps and negative. Daily and weekly papers are much the same and the dreadful claim that only bad news sells papers is a sad reflection. Rubbish! Let's just look at life in this town and the surrounding countryside to see how things really are for the majority of us. I'm not just dismissing real poverty, I'm looking at life for the majority. Like the medical practice that serves us so well, the countryside that's out there and freely accessible, the good crafts on call at prices most can afford. Walk down the road and smile at people and the majority will smile back and return your "Good morning" greeting. Come on Cleobury, let's smile and be glad we live where we do. Life here is good.



07971 361901 or 01299 832484

**Complete Bathroom Installations
Bathroom Refurbishment or Repairs
Wet Rooms
Professional Wall and Floor Tiling**



For a quality and guaranteed service, call Stuart for a free quote
Highly Recommended / References available - see my reviews on www.freeindex.co.uk

FOR THE BATHROOM YOU DESERVE!



Victoria Allen Funeral Services

An Independent Family Business offering a
Personal and Professional Service

Over 25 years' Experience

Competitively Priced

Private Chapel of Rest

Golden Charter Pre-Paid Funeral Plans

Covering All Areas

Home Visits Available

01584 879035

24 Hour Service

8 Charlton Rise, Ludlow, Shropshire, SY8 1ND
www.vallenfuneralsludlow.co.uk
Email: vafs@btinternet.com



The Cleobury Clarion, August 2023

Volume Nineteen - Edition Five



P C Ollie Jones, the new man on our beat.
See Page 13.



Vauxhall vandalism in Childe Road Car Park
See Page 17.



In Business, multi talented Angela Kazimierczuk. Page 61.

And On Other Pages....

- 5 - From the Bandroom
- 7 - The Manor House
- 9 - Cleobury Gardeners -
- 11 In Praise Of....
- 19 - Come Along to Sing Along
- 21 - Stepping Out! Walking News
- 23 August in the Wyre Forest
- 25 - Philip Dunne MP
- 27 Rainbow Cancer Care Day
- 29 Age UK
- 31 Clarion Connections
- 32 & 33 - Doddington Lodge
- 37 - Cleobury Mortimer Benefice
- 39 - A Beacon on the Hill
- 43 - Mrs Grumpy
- 45 Simon Morton in the Garden
- 49 The Community Hub
- 51- Let's Beat the Scammers
- 58 Town Council Report
- 60 The Social Calendar -
- 63 - Local Information



DRY CLEANING & LAUNDRY SERVICE
20 HIGH STREET, CLEOBURY MORTIMER
01299 270571
HOUSEHOLD & COMMERCIAL WORK WELCOME
FULLY ATTENDED, OPEN 7 DAYS

Self Service ~ Full Service Wash/ Dry/ Fold/ Ironing ~ Large Machine for Big Items
Service Washing for Duvets/ Blankets/ Sleeping Bags ~ Team Sports Kit Laundry Service
Equestrian Rug Cleaning ~ Laundry Service for Pet Items
Professional Shirt Service ~ Nikwax Wash & Proof for Outdoor Clothing

.... the place to air your dirty laundry!



RED HARE

45 HIGH STREET
CLEOBURY MORTIMER
WWW.REDHARESALON.CO.UK

01299 270702

YOUR
HAIR
IS
OUR
BEST
ADVERT

PPD FREE - PARABEN FREE - SULPHATE FREE - CRUELTY FREE

“Red Hare now offers a private hairdressing room. Perfect for those wanting more privacy, peace and quiet“



CLEOBURY CHIROPRACTIC

31 High St. Cleobury Mortimer DY14 8DQ

JS James
Smith
OSTEOPATHS

We offer both **CHIROPRACTIC** and **OSTEOPATHY**,
using gentle methods suitable for all ages.
Appointments available outside of normal working hours.
Both practitioners are fully registered, insured & regulated.

Sue Brown
MA MSc DC MMCA
CHIROPRACTOR

- * BACK PAIN * SCIATICA * POSTURAL PROBLEMS
- * JOINT PAIN * HEADACHES (arising from the neck)
- * Some SPORTS INJURIES

- PLUS** * COMPUTER (DSE) WORKSTATION ASSESSMENTS
* BACK CLASS – Weekly exercise class for those with back/neck pain.

iO
THE INSTITUTE
of OSTEOPATHY

Hands for Heroes
Free Chiropractic Care for War Veterans



01299 519351 / 07932 000028 / 07506 287191

www.notjustaboutbackpain.com

www.jsosteopaths.co.uk

GCC registered
General Chiropractic Council
www.gcc-uk.org

 **General Osteopathic Council**
I'M REGISTERED
Registration no. 9254
www.osteopathy.org.uk

CLEOBURY W.I.

A 'New Members Coffee Morning', held at Judy's, gave invited new members the opportunity to ask questions and find out more about what we do in WI. This was a success, with several members complimenting us on the warm, friendly welcome received.

The WI stand at the Cleobury Festival in June attracted plenty of interest, with a few more prospective new members showing interest in joining us.

We try to include in our programme a range of different activities throughout the year and July's meeting was a taster session of croquet in Ludlow. Four volunteers from Ludlow Castle Croquet Club kindly guided us through the use of the mallet, and the rain didn't prevent us enjoying a game of 'golf croquet'. Tea and cake in the clubhouse followed.

On Tuesday August 8th, there will be a short talk by Mark Baldwin on the history of The Wells, meeting at the earlier time of 6.30pm in St Mary's Church, followed by cheese and wine at 10 Church Street. This is open to members only plus one guest, for the usual cost of £5. Bread and cheese will be provided, but members are asked to contribute a salad or dessert to share and to bring their own drinks.

Regular meetings for morning coffee or afternoon tea remain popular, most recently, at the Colliers Arms, there was opportunity to chat, enjoy the treats on offer and browse the farm shop. This month, there will be an easy local walk (on

tarmac), followed by coffee locally on Tuesday 22nd August, meeting outside the Market Hall at 10am.

Anyone interested in becoming a part of our busy and thriving branch of WI should contact Judy on 01299 270983 or email judysant10@gmail.com

Val Snidowski

FLICKS IN THE STICKS

On Saturday 19 August at 7,30pm, we will be showing *Allelujah* - a warm, humorous, and deeply moving story about surviving old age. When the geriatric ward in a small Yorkshire hospital is threatened with closure, the hospital decides to fight back. *Allelujah* celebrates the

spirit of the elderly patients whilst paying tribute to the deep humanity of the medical staff battling with limited resources and ever-growing demand. Starring Judi Dench, Jennifer Saunders, Derek Jacobi Russell Tovey. Bar, tea and cake.

BARN DANCE

On Friday, August 25th, at 6.30 for 7.00, there will be a barn dance in the Parish Hall. If you enjoyed the Bavarian evening here is a another chance to let your hair down in an evening filled with fun and laughter – and not just at the dancing.

Tickets £15, including two-course meal, from Gabby on 01299 271713, or email:

gabbyfranklin76@gmail.com,

or online at

www.cleoburyparishhall.uk/barndance. Bar, tea and coffee.

They are selling fast: don't miss out.

FROM THE BANDROOM

During July the band played at Pershore Midsummer Brass, a very stormy Neen Savage Fete and the Ironbridge Brass Festival.

Moving into August we are all really looking forward to playing at Tom (our drummer) and Ellies wedding and we will also perform on the bandstand at Shrewsbury Quarry at the end of the month.

We also have changes afoot, our current conductor Matt will be leaving for band pastures new, we wish him well in his new venture.

We have another MD in the pipeline but if there is anyone local out there interested in the job, please do get in touch with our secretary Amanda.

We have National Finals in September and are on look out for some sponsorship to help with costs.

If you feel you can help the band with this, please get in touch!

Bass players are critical to the band ensemble, if you would like to join us, you would be made VERY welcome! we recently welcomed back Bill who hasn't played for 20 years!

Please come along to our friendly practices on Tuesday evenings 7.30pm Parish Hall

Get in touch with Amanda on 0 1 5 8 4 8 9 1 1 9 9

Katie Griffiths



Michael Coombes Roofing & Building Maintenance.

Complete Re-roofing, Roof repairs, Pointing & Chimney repairs.
Slabbing & Brick work
Wall & Floor Tiling
Painting & Decorating

Over 20 Years experience in the Cleobury area.

Call Michael on 07854 047413

PestArrest Pest Control

For all your local pest control requirements,
all domestic and commercial pests covered



RSPH level 2 qualified
fully insured



Telephone **Jon Staples** on:
07894 739464

Email: pestarrest.pestcontrol@outlook.com

B Price Forestry 

Supplying kiln dried logs in 3 convenient load sizes: a bag, a pickup load or a transit/trailer load. We also stock nets of kindling.

We are Ready to Burn accredited and offer free delivery within 10 miles.

Logs are between 8-10 inches in length and are kiln dried to 20% or less moisture content.

**** Summer promotion – discount on prices for orders placed between 1st June 2023 and 31st August 2023 ****

For prices, availability or to place an order, please contact us on

01584 891307 or 07518 810269

B Price Forestry, The Workshop, Bitterley, Ludlow, Shropshire, SY8 3HW



IRENA ON THE MOVE

Irena's renowned Foot Clinic have moved into town from her old location out in the forest. She's now based at No 1 Furlongs Road here in Cleobury with a second location at 'La Styles', 144 Tennyson Way,, Offmore, Kidderminster DY1 1YA. Telephone numbers are her mobile on 7789 7629 or at 1562 865544 in Kidderminster. If you refer treatment at home, she can provide that service too.

**C L O W S T O P
G A R D E N I N G C L U B**

We are off to Hanley William on the 23rd to visit "Highways," a garden of one acre which has been developed over the last 16 years. There is certainly a lot to see, including herbaceous borders, pergolas with roses and clematis, a stream, wildlife pond, Koi pond, a bog garden with Gunnera and a woodland area and new arboretum. There is also a vegetable garden. Combine all this with views over the Teme Valley and it surely is a garden not to be missed! A word of warning; there are some steps and the lawn does slope.

We will meet at the Victory Hall at 6pm to share cars as usual. For any other information, or to book your place (open to non - members) please ring Elva on 01299 8 3 2 2 8 8 .

Judith Lawson

We look forward to seeing you on the 23rd.

**CALLING ALL
CRAFTY FOLK**

Clows Top Craft Club meets at Clows Top Victory Hall on Monday mornings from ten o'clock until 12 noon.

We are currently on a summer break and will meet next on Monday 4th September.

All are welcome, whatever their craft or ability. For further details, call me. *Judith Laws on 07990 932167.*

W O O D W O R D S

Chris Smith reports from the Bowling Club

What a super day our club captain gave us on June 25th at the annual event. Glorious sunshine, a cooling breeze, tasty buffet and some exciting competition bowling; all through a safely steered well planned course on calm waters! Well done Nick Flatters and team and a very big "thank you" to all.

Over 50 players took part in the competitions, organized by Phil Pack who came out winning finalist with his playing partner for the day Angie Gravatte.

Coming during August is the Air Ambulance charity event at Highley Bowls Club, Sunday the 13th, registration at 11.30am or Cleobury Bowling Club pavilion prior to the day.

Home competitions include the Wakeman Cup on August the 5th, the Downes Cup August the 12th, and Lloyd Cup August 19th. All news and events/dates can be found on the website cleoburybowls.org.uk

A second taster session was held on July 17th and our next one is on Monday the 14th of August 7.00pm at the green. Free entry. Come and see what it's all about! All welcome

Anyone wanting further information about Cleobury Mortimer Bowling Club is invited to contact club captain Nick Flatters on 07952 296710 or email cleoburybowlsclub@gmail.com

.THE MANOR HOUSE

I have been pre-occupied with our campaign to Save The Manor House and at a recent meeting with Madge Shington and Katherine Garnier, I have been tasked to generate some publicity for our campaign.

I am writing to local feature writers for our regional publications such as the Shropshire Star, Shropshire Magazine and the Express and Star. I am also trying to get interest from local Radio as well. I have created a briefing document which is too large for the Clarion I think.

Nigel Reid

FLAT FOR RENT IN CLEOBURY MORTIMER. ONE BEDROOM, HIGH STREET LOCATION, ELECTRIC HEATING, AVAILABLE NOW. £525 A MONTH + UTILITIES. DEOSIT AND REFERENCES REQUIRED. CALL 1584 89225

Professional. Affordable. Local.



Electrical Installations

No matter the size, we can gladly undertake all Domestic, Commercial and Industrial installations you require.

A family run business, with over 25 years industry experience.

From period properties to agricultural solutions, we provide a professional service every time. We also do call outs and emergency work.

Renewable Energy

Protect yourself from rising energy bills by considering renewable energy.

Solar PV is the most accessible way you can save energy by producing electricity from the sun. Earn a tax free income from the electricity your system produces.

Speak to us about how renewable energy can benefit you or your business.

Whatever your query, give us a call.

T: 07971 096267 / 08450 564173

W: www.awe-services.co.uk

Two Staks, Eagle Lane, Cleobury Mortimer, Worcs. DY14 8RA



**C L E O B U R Y
G A R D E N E R S**

I decided to make water the subject of this month's article after reading the 'Telegraph's diatribe on the economic health and future of Thames Water: and by inference most other water companies which no longer belong in our national control and are owned by every Tom, Dick and Harry throughout the world, from Canada, France, Dubai, some Scandinavian countries and even to China. No wonder we have rivers running with effluent, when profits are being hived off as dividends to shareholders and pension funds all over the world.

The main point of this article is water butts to save the environment, save your wallet and save water - what's not to love. They come in all shapes and sizes, and are available cheaply from Shropshire CC on application. It's a rare garden which will be unable to accommodate one; even a small shed can provide enough water for a small butt. And why stop at one? If you are warm to this idea, place a second alongside and the runoff from the first overflows into the second. The Diverter Kit and Linking Kit are available at most Big Brand Hardware outlets and are fairly easy to install. One

point - locate the water butt(s) elevated on bricks and slabs to ensure your watering cans fit under the opened tap. Water comes from the heavens free gratis; we turn on our taps and out it comes, and whilst the rain still falls, what's the problem. Are you aware that as soon as the rain hits your roof and flows down the spouting, this free gift acquires the first of its several pricing charges and becomes a commodity, and a highly priced one, considering the base material is free. Your water company charges you for collecting 'ground water' to channel it into a system to make safe drinking water. And if you water plants from a tap, you are using the highest priced water of all. The expert view is that something like a 40% increase in water charges is on the cards if we want our rivers cleaned up. To make your investment really work, have several buckets available. When rain is promised, drain the stored water into the buckets leaving the Butt(s) to be refilled, thus always making greatest and extended use of the availability of cheap water. I always have a trug near my butt to catch any surplus water, and use that to immerse my used pots ready for cleaning.. Even that used water goes on the garden.

Let your pots dry and store for the next use. I do not understand this concept of recycling pots to garden centres. I never seem to have enough, and never recycle them unless they are totally worn out. Please forgive this bout of personal whimsy, but in the future water will become a very precious commodity, not just price, but also availability. In some parts of the world, water may become more expensive than oil, and fought over in small wars. So what has this to do with gardening? Dear Reader, water is e v e r y t h i n g .
Linda Ashman, Secretary

.....
THOMSON & PARKES
Sad news just in that Thomson and Parkes' depot at Oretton closed at the end of July. If that means redundancies for the staff we can only sympathise. It was an easy place for locals to reach and much better than a drive into Kidderminster and back. It's also a reminder to us all that we need to support such local businesses if we want a wider choice than just supermarkets.



UPHOLSTERY & INTERIORS

Rosemary Jones
Mob: 07837 609229
Phone: 01584 861823
Email: info@charltoninteriors.com

www.charltoninteriors.com

MOBILE FOOT HEALTH CARE
A thorough nail and foot care treatment in the comfort of your own home.
Registered and Insured practitioner.
Karen F H Di, RFH
7378 122788



Care At Home

TLC Care at Home are a well-established family run, Home Care Provider who have built up an excellent reputation within our local communities

We have recently been rated as **OUTSTANDING** by CQC and this puts TLC Care at Home in the top 3% of providers in England



Professional care and support in your own home

Our dedicated Care Team are here to help support you with 24/7 care provision should it be required. At TLC Care At Home, we are dedicated to supporting people with wide range of needs, including Dementia, Acquired Brain Injury, Physical Disabilities, Learning Disabilities, Sensory Impairments and supporting our aging population.

Depending on your individual needs, we can offer varying degrees of support from young adults to very mature people. TLC Care at Home are here to help anyone who requires care and support to enable them to remain living at home for as long as it is safe to do so.

Comprehensive range of care services

- Domiciliary Care
- Palliative care
- Personal care
- 24 hour care
- Companionship
- Dementia Care
- Overnight Care
- Elderly Care
- Care for young adults
- Supporting younger people
- Domestic services: cleaning, cooking, washing and shopping
- Collections of pensions or prescriptions
- Trips out and about

Please contact us now for more information 01299 272 897

Email: wecare@tlc-careathome.co.uk

Website: www.tlccareathome.com



Professional Family Estate Planners

- Wills
- Lasting Powers of Attorney
- Free Will reviews
- Probate support
- Care home fee avoidance
- Free funeral plan with every Will
- Family Protection Trusts



“A lifetime’s attention to complex legal issues as a retired Detective Superintendent and now a Private Client Lawyer means you can definitely trust Mark and his daughter Lauren to write your Will”

T: 01299 251442

E: info@ambalegalservices.co.uk

W: ambalegalservices.co.uk

- Appointments by telephone, video link or in the comfort of your own home
- Over 45 years’ experience in law
- Friendly and professional support for you and your family
- Call us up for a chat to see how we can help!



IN PRAISE OF

I am no longer married, been a widower for nine years. The ring my lovely wife bought me to replace the damaged original gave the wrong signal and when my nephew's three year old daughter admired the ring I was wearing it triggered an idea. Young Luana should have it to remind her when she grows that there's a family history to discover. I had tried to have the ring removed, but had no luck until I tried K Bassam Jewellers in Kidderminster. Tracy there was capable helpfulness itself and as it was too tight to slip off it would need to be cut. A tool was produced and after the actual ring was severed it took several tweaks with two small pliers to get it off. It would then be welded to restore its shape.

Could they engrave it with Luana's name as the new owner. Yes they could. It came back gleaming from a polished job with engraving all done. It will be with Luana some time in August and I hope she'll look after it. What I want to do on this page is praise the quiet and friendly efficiency of Bassam's in getting such a good result when too many others would not take it on. *Jin Reynolds*

THE KITE FESTIVAL

This year's Festival was another gentle and friendly July weekend, with fewer visitors than last year still adding colour when a mixed weather pattern allowed. Organisers Helene and Paul from Skybums in Wem were as welcoming as ever and when the wind picked up there were enthusiasts soon out and chasing a lift.

The kite enthusiasts talk freely to curious visitors and explain the materials used today. And if you see a smaller kite attached to the line of a bigger unit, like you can see in the picture below, that's a 'bol'



Elphick TREE & GARDEN SERVICES

Friendly, honest tree surgeon serving Bewdley and surrounding areas.

Contact Isaac for a free quote!
Mob: 07845 615 806
Tel: 01299 513 448

- All Aspects of Tree Work
- Lawn Mowing
- Hedge Trimming/Reducing
- Grounds Maintenance

Qualified Insured Tidy

Email: elphicktreeandgarden@gmail.com Web: www.elphicktree.co.uk



FORTHCOMING EVENTS

For info, call 01299 270047

To book the hall
call Janet
01299 271070



Saturday 19 August at 7.30

ALLELUJAH

12 95 mins

ALLELUJAH is a warm, humorous, and deeply moving story about surviving old age. When the geriatric ward in a small Yorkshire hospital is threatened with closure, the hospital decides to fight back. ALLELUJAH celebrates the spirit of the elderly patients whilst paying tribute to the deep humanity of the medical staff battling with limited resources and ever-growing demand
STARRING Judi Dench, Jennifer Saunders, Derek Jacobi, Russell Tovey



A concert by
the RAF Cosford
Military Wives Choir

Friday 7 October
at 6.30 for 7.00

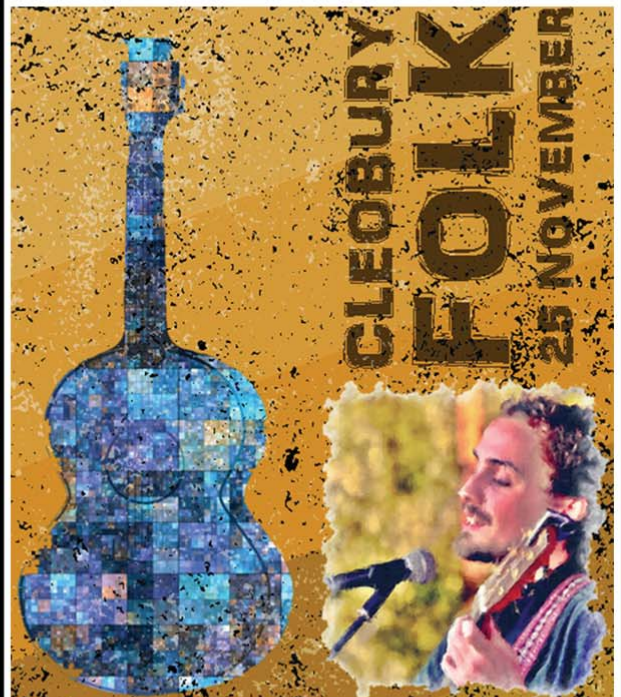
FRIDAY 25 AUGUST
6.30 FOR 7.00PM
BARNDANCE
IN THE PARISH HALL
DRINKS FOOD DANCE

**TICKETS £15 FROM
GABBY 01299 271713**

**gabbyfranklin76@gmail.com OR
cleoburyparishhall.uk/barndance**



Another great night
in the Parish Hall
with food and a bar.
Don't miss this fun evening!



Talented folk singer,
Ben Robertson

Saturday 25 November
at 6.30 for 7.00

Food and bar

NEW FACE ON THE LOCAL BEAT

Ollie Jones is the new man on the local beat, covering Cleobury and Highley along with eleven other parishes. He was stationed here from July 1st and will be getting to know the local area and its inhabitants like you and me..

He comes from a police background, his dad serving in the force in the north of the county. The job has changed a lot since the old man was out there and Ollie wants to get to know local folk and draw knowledge and information from them. The logic is straightforward, with him gathering news and details to inform the wider force. As he puts it "We can't do anything without information. So if you see someone acting in a suspicious way, like knocking on a door late at night collecting a parcel, that might be drugs. Have you actually seen a crime Report it, as the more the force know the sooner they'll act. It's simple cooperation to prevent illegal action against you. Ollie will be holding surgeries in the Market Hall, another part of us all working together to make life safer. Good old fashioned

common sense. The Clarion looks forward to working with Ollie and his colleagues.



CLEOBURY COMMUNITY

This is a family friendly monthly event, held in the Community Centre on Love Lane. This month's is on Friday the 18th, from 9.00 until 11.00, with another on September 15th. The idea is to get people together to swap stories and maybe get help with a problem. You'll find specialist knowledge there with advice on a wide range of matters from housing support to drug and alcohol support or advice on Alzheimer's. It's free and it's simply about sharing and caring for the community.

OPEN DAY AT UPPER MARCHES

The annual Open Day at the Bargmans' small holding on Catherton Common is always a treat. Our agricultural correspondent, no less, has written about it warmly. This year I showed my very enthusiastic lady the gardens and then we took a step further and visited the nether regions of three acres of countryside. New was a footbridge over the stream, finished in time for the occasion. "Made from assorted scrap" we heard Chris asked. "Of course" the prompt reply. There were assorted ancient vehicles about and Tina having grown up on a farm found the aged DB tractor attractive. More so when told that DB is the same David Brown who gave his initials to the 1950s Aston Martins he also made.



Firewood

Seasoned logs, barn dried & ready to burn.

Free local delivery -01584 890993 or 07970878224

Various size loads available



Paul Harding Tree Services



BILL'S QUALITY METALWORK
5 GREENFIELD ROAD, CRAVEN ARMS, SY7 9QU
Manufacturing Made to Measure Gates and Railings
~Balconies and Staircases, Handrails, Carports,
Structural Steelwork and Mobile Welding Service.
Phone Bill on 07973 248 016 or 01588 673 914
Office for a free quote

TDC CARPENTRY SERVICES

Fully insured qualified professional
 Excellent workmanship and quality customer care
 From hanging doors, fitting kitchens to bespoke projects

Tim Clare - 07890 519980

Do you suffer from heat loss, outside noise or draughty windows like many older properties?

**Bespoke
Secondary
Glazing**

Secondary glazing from Lansec greatly reduces draughts and heat loss while retaining the traditional appearance of your original windows

- **Recommended** by Historic England for heritage and Grade 2 listed buildings
- **Barely visible** from inside or outside
- **Colour matched** to your existing windows
- **10 year** material and labour guarantee
- **Local**, family run business

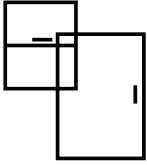


01299 544013
lansecglz.co.uk

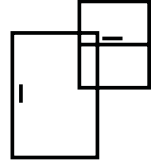


Unit 4 Blackmanstitch, Long Bank, Bewdley, Worcs DY12 2QW





Ashley Bannister Windows & Doors



- UPVC Windows & Doors
- Composite Doors
- Porches & Conservatories
- Glass Unit Replacement
- Fascia, Soffit & Guttering
- Handles & Letterboxes
- Hinges & Window Restrictors



No Job Too Big or Small
Certass Approved Installer
Local Tradesman Based in Highley

ashban94@hotmail.com
Ash: 07817 785245



Twit - Twoo Falconry

- **Static and flying displays with owls & falcons**
- **Fetes and fayres**
- **3 hour bird experiences based in clows top**
- **Garden parties and birthdays**
- **1-2 hour talks for indoor hall and outdoor visits**



**For quotes and bookings ring Steve Woodison 07738014884 or
Email scw1960@hotmail.co.uk**



ROYAL FOUNTAIN INN

13 Church Street, Cleobury Mortimer, DY14 8BS



- Serving food 12-3 Tuesday - Sunday and 6-9 Tuesday - Saturday
- Cake and coffee deals from 3-6pm everyday
- Fantastic range of food and drinks with deals every weekend
- Large, heated marquee and biggest beer garden in town
- Live music every month
- We can cater for all occasions and parties of all sizes



01299 272720
info@theroyalfountaininn.co.uk



Renovating your house in 2023? Look no further!

**WE COVER
-- ALL OF --
SHROPSHIRE**

With over 30 years experience we specialise in all aluminium and uPVC windows, patio doors and bi-fold doors.

We pride ourselves on product innovation, technical competence, customer liaison and quality.

All our projects are bespoke and tailor made specific to your requirements.

VISIT OUR SHOWROOM TO SEE ALL THE PRODUCTS WE OFFER AND WE CAN TALK YOU THROUGH THE BEST SOLUTION FOR YOUR HOME

TRADE ONLY
IF YOU ARE A BUILDER WE CAN OFFER A SUPPLY ONLY SERVICE. CONTACT US NOW!



Please visit our website to see all our brochures. You will be amazed at what we do.

www.heritagecd.co.uk

SPECIAL DISCOUNT AVAILABLE ON OUR SELECTED WINDOWS & BI-FOLD DOORS



Proud to be regulated by Certass Trade Association as a registered installer.



Manufacturers of all Aluminium & UPVC products

Call us now on **01384 460 123**
Mobile: **07787 556 594**
Or email: sales@heritagecd.co.uk

Unit B1 Morgan Rushworth Industrial Estate, Providence Street, Lye, West Midlands DY9 8HS
T: 01384 460 123 M: 07787 556 594 W: www.heritagecd.co.uk



Quality is Key!

R E A D I N G
'This Is Going To Hurt' by Adam Kay, a well written and easy to read book
Twelve members met this month to review it. The author, with the help of his diaries, tells of his experiences of being a junior doctor on hospital wards. Overworked and under paid, it seemed a mostly balanced account. Amusing at times with some dark humour it is also horrific and heartbreaking. Our discussions kept us busy for over an hour. The majority of people have had dealings with the NHS, good or bad, several having worked as doctors or nurses. We felt it was sad that Adam chose to leave the profession, maybe better support would have helped? It was a rather cynical view of the NHS, which started another avenue to explore. Despite current and past problems, overall we thought it was a good organisation. We agreed it needed a long term solution, though doubtful it would happen. Outspoken and frank, always interesting, even the parts you didn't want to know. Group comments were:- too close to home; not really my cup of tea; felt hurt by title and didn't enjoy but moved by the

honesty? You will have to read it to judge for yourselves. August brings us 'The Girl With The Louding Voice' by Abi Dare, an intriguing title.

Deana Kimber 271754

MICHAELMAS

CONCERT FOR COCO

Cleobury is home to a wealth of talented musicians and CoCo is fortunate to have secured the services of five of them to perform at a fundraising concert on Friday 29th September in St Mary's Church, Cleobury. The programme will be a mixture of styles to appeal to a wide audience. Our performers are Erika Jones -soprano, with a wide repertoire of opera credits around the world; The Ludford Duo, professional cellists with highly successful careers playing with internationally acclaimed ensembles; Celia Gibb - soloist, who sang professionally until recently and now sings with Ludlow's Edge Chamber choir and Hannah Coleman - harpist, bringing the beautiful sound of the harp to St Mary's. The musical performances will be interspersed with some spoken word, including a poem written specifically for the concert by local poet, David Walford. Tickets at £15 each are available from Cleobury Country Centre, The Community Hub and Roseann Genese (01299 270161). Doors open at 7.00.for a 7.30pm start and the ticket price includes your first glass of wine

Catherine Evans

VANDALISM IN CHILDE ROAD CAR PARK

This sad looking Vauxhall was spotted in the Childe Road car park, where it had stood for two weeks when the photo was taken. The damage looks like petty vandalism, with windscreen wipers and door mirror outer shells the only obvious parts affected, but a photo is not an accurate guide. What is worrying is that we have somebody who seems to think petty stupidity is fun. The solution lies with us and the words of new local copper Ollie Jones on page 13. If you see a crime, even one that's making people laugh because they think it's all a bit of a joke, let the police know and give them as much detail as you can remember. Because anyone who gets away with a crime, no matter how small, will be tempted to do if they think they won't be caught. And it could be your house they find tempting.....





Find Your Smile at Cleobury Dental Practice

Whether you're looking for dental implants to replace missing teeth, invisible braces for a straighter smile, boosting your confidence with teeth whitening or a dedicated dentist for your regular care, you can find it all here in the heart of historic Cleobury Mortimer.

- Modern, state of the art facilities and the latest dental technology
- Free car parking adjacent to the practice and step-free access to our dentists' surgeries
- Enjoy private dental care from just 47p per day with our membership plans
- Highly experienced in helping those with dental phobias

Services Provided

- Tooth-Coloured (White) Fillings
- Sedation for Anxious Patients
- Teeth Straightening with Braces and Invisalign
- Dental Implants (Replacement of Missing Teeth)
- Emergency Appointments Slots Available (first come first served)
- Hygienist Services
- Private and NHS Care (NHS subject to capacity)

Opening Hours

Mon, Tue, Wed and Fri **9am-5pm**

Thu **9am-7pm**

Saturdays **by appointment only**

Tel: 01299 271 747

www.cleoburydental.co.uk

BDA Good Practice
Member

 **invisalign**
PROVIDER

COME ALONG TO NEW DENTAL SING ALONG TECHNICIAN

Do you enjoy singing? It is good for you, it activates the brain and releases happy feelings. If you would like to discover the joy of singing with others, there are three local choirs who would love to hear from you. Edge Chamber Choir, rehearsing in Ludlow on Thursday evenings, is an auditioned choir specialising in works by mainly 20th and 21st century composers. The Blue Hills Choir, focusing on popular classical works from, 16th to early 20th centuries, and The Corvedale Choir, singing a wide range from West End shows and the 'pop/rock' world, rehearse in Diddlebury on Tuesday mornings and Monday evenings respectively.

All are looking for singers. They are all friendly groups differentiated only by the style of music they sing. The choirs are now having their summer break but will return to weekly rehearsals in September. To find out more, watch this space in the September Clarion.

We would like to tell everyone about our new Denture Clinics with the Clinical Dental Technician who starts on 18th August.

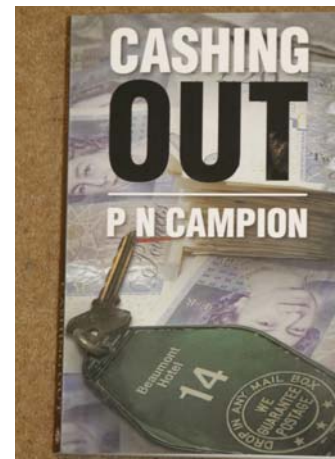
His name is Stephen Beard and his GDC number is 130985 (the number needs to be included please) he will be visiting the Practice on Friday mornings. He is available to see anyone for a Private consultation appointment for Denture problems or for the provision of new dentures.

He can see anyone who has full dentures without them having to see a Dentist first, people who have a mix of their own and denture teeth will need to see a Dentist for an examination before they can see him.

The consultation appointment is free, there is a £20 refundable deposit to pay to secure the appointment. People can see about our Practice via our website www.cleoburydental.co.uk and can call 01299 271747 for more information and to book.

Many thanks Nicola Atherage
'CASHING OUT'
Phil Campion's debut novel.
We made brief mention of local

writer and reporter Phil's first novel in the last Clarion. Having read it, we can tell you that it's a locally based thriller that gets you guessing from the opening chapter, and the chapters are all brief as the action moves around the Midlands. There's a brief visit to London and then the Welsh coast, with romance added as the hero meets a range of experiences from an attempt at poisoning him to threats from menacing foreign gangster figures. On to of all this he meets a glamorous lady who falls for his charm and daily follows to Greece, where he's threatened again, but this time by a man he trusted. We gather there's a sequel and we look forward to reading that. An impressive debut, available in digital form from at least 12 sites and from Amazon at £1.49 digital or £9.49 hard coy.



Number Nineteen
No.19 Denture Repairs
Dental Laboratory

SPEEDY, QUALITY DENTURE REPAIRS
Cracked/broken dentures repaired the same day.
A 1 HOUR service is available for when time is of the essence, just call to make an appointment .

19 Lower Street, Cleobury Mortimer, DY14 8AL
Email: nevilleweaver@googlemail.com Phone: 07973856733
All work undertaken by a GDC registered technician



A.B. Plastering
Plus Traditional Lime Plastering

Adrian Booton
PLASTERER

4 Severne Green, Bayton
Nr Kidderminster, DY14 9LL

Tel: 01299 832 838
Mobile: 07974 582 524

John Brazier & Co

Accountants & Business Advisors

Accounts – Company, Partnership and Sole Trader
Tax Returns – Corporation Tax and Personal
VAT - Returns and advice
Payroll Service including RTI

For a personal and
professional service

Contact John Brazier or Sarah Morgan to discuss your requirements on 01299 271473 or email at info@johnbrazierco.co.uk. Alternatively, you can arrange a meeting at 53, High Street, Cleobury Mortimer, Worcestershire DY14 8DQ

01299 271 473



Grainger Jones your local independent financial adviser

Grainger lives in Cleobury Mortimer giving the residents and surrounding areas a dependable financial planning service.

- Wealth Management
- Retirement Planning
- Investments & Savings
- Family & Business Protection

An initial consultation is available at no charge

To book an appointment or just have a chat, please contact Grainger below.

tel: 07974 100089

email: grainger@meridenfp.co.uk

website: www.meridenfp.co.uk

MIKE AND SHELLEY ROBERTS

Haulage Contractors

Supplier of Aggregate and Asphalt products

12 Lacon Close, Cleobury Mortimer DY14 8EF

07860 669350

07966 045012

INFINITE ELECTRICAL SOLUTIONS

For all your electrical needs:

House rewires

Fuse board upgrades

Electric showers

Need an extra socket or light installed?

No job too small

For a FREE quote

Call Lloyd 01584 811184



Stepping Out! Who's Walking, When and Where.

The year moves on and as we enter the last month of Summer the countryside is changing. The beautiful colours of Spring have faded leaving a tapestry with shades of green. The petals have fallen and the seeds produced are beginning to ripen ready for dispersal. Wind, water, animals and even walkers all play their part in this fascinating process.

Walking for Health this month is on the second and fourth Wednesdays, August 9th and 23rd, meeting as usual outside the Market Hall at 10.00am the walk of about one hour will finish with refreshments at the CoCo coffee morning. A reminder that there is no Walking for Health Awayday in August. The final Awayday for this year is on Wednesday 13th September. Details will be in next month's Clarion.

There was an additional work party in July both concentrating on clearance work. On the first week the volunteers worked in the area between the Golf Club and the Bridgnorth Road, cutting back the undergrowth as well as ensuring stiles and gates are accessible. There were two teams out the following week. One group cleared the path

between Newbridge and Papermills including the steps up to the main road and a section of the adjacent footpath. The second team cleared a fallen tree that had blocked a gate near Lea Farm. A huge thank you to all the volunteers who give up their free time to help keep the paths clear.

The weather was fine for the Country Walk on Sunday July 2nd. After meeting as usual outside St Mary's Church eight people enjoyed the Dinmore Dally Walk, CMFA leaflet 21. This month the walk is on Sunday 6th at 10.00 am. The route of about 4.5 miles is based on leaflet no 14, A Walk In Three Parishes. This is an interesting walk passing through the parishes of Cleobury Mortimer, Hopton Wafers and Neen Savage. Everyone is welcome.

A delve into the Almanac revealed that there are two full moons this month. August 1st is the Sturgeon Moon, named by the North American fishing tribes as these fish are prolific this month. August 31st is the Blue Moon which is not specifically named after its colour. The origins of the name is shrouded in mystery. Traditionally it is the third full

moon in an astronomical season containing four full moons. Alternatively it is the name of the second full moon in a calendar month. In either case it only occurs every 2.5 to 3 years and has given rise to the expression "once in a blue moon"

CMFA activities are on our website www.cmfa.co.uk and also on Facebook.

Veronica Hargreaves

ROCK PATHFINDERS

Thursday, August 3rd. Starting at 10.30 from Lyth Hill Country park, near Bayston Hill, Shrewsbury SY3 OAX. Bring your own lunch!

Thursday, August 17th. Starting from the Kinver Community Centre, Legion Drive, off High Street, Kinver DY7 6ET
PLEASE NOTE NEW WEB ADDRESS

email:mdsskev@rockpathfinders.uk

Or ring Alan on 01299 400304

.....

..... WISE BIT

It is good to be important, but more important to be good



WINDSOR PRICE REPAIR SHOP
Automotive

Email: mikeytwonames@icloud.com
Tel: 07468 521816

Unit 1, Hillocks Farm,
Cleobury Mortimer, DY14 0EB.

 MOT	 Brakes	 Diagnostic
 Services	 Cam Belts	 Exhausts
 Repairs	 Clutches	 Tyres



What can a Nutritionist help with?

- Digestive issues
- Chronic Fatigue
- Sleeping issues
- Painful periods
- Menopause
- Migraine
- Type 2 Diabetes
- High Cholesterol
- Skin Conditions
- Children's Health
- Anxiety/Depression
- Vegan/vegetarian diets
- Weight Management
- plus many more

Visit www.eatyourselfbetter.co.uk to find out more or book a free mini consultation to see what I can do to help you. 07790521636



TURNERS GATES

bespoke sizes at standard prices



A small family run business specialising in quality wooden gates to suit all entrances.

Visit our website: www.turnersgates.co.uk

Drop us an email: turnersgates@outlook.com

Or give us a call on: 01299 270 965



TIME TO CLEAN YOUR OVEN? LET US DO THE JOB YOU HATE

AS SEEN
ON TV

- Ovens
- Grills
- Extractors
- Filters
- BBQs
- Microwaves
- Hobs
- Ranges
- AGAs

Call or go online today for your free estimate



07913 123543
ovenclean.com





It's been a good year for bilberries. Not enough to make a pie, though: I've only had that happen once, and those bilberries were from Derbyshire. The plants like acid soils and cope with a shady woodland setting, but only fruit well with enough sunshine. I look forward to the blackberry harvest but that won't be until September, when I can enjoy some of the crop destined to be consumed by insects, birds and mammals.

At the moment the forest is still looking lush, with enough rain to keep leaves green and encourage flowering. The insects should be having a happier time of it than during last year's drought and I hope some will be able to recover after a very cold and difficult spring. Consequently there should be a good number of baby birds too, and that will be good news for a number of predators.

One such is the Sparrowhawk. It is the commonest bird of prey in the forest and could possibly be confused with the larger Goshawk, which is also sometimes seen hereabouts, since both birds have striped grey and white plumage on the breast and underparts. The female is considerably larger than the male, which has a more reddish-brown colour to the underparts. Their presence is a happy indication of the recovery of their numbers after the use of organochlorine insecticides such as DDT caused the population to crash in the 1960s and 70s. The discovery that DDT caused fragile egg shells and the death of embryos led to it being banned in 1972 in the USA and in most other countries during subsequent decades.

The Sparrowhawk feeds entirely on birds smaller than itself, which means that the male catches sparrows, finches and tits

while the female can go for something larger such as a thrush (or a Greater Spotted Woodpecker as Norman Hickin noted in 'The Natural History of an English Forest'). They are superb hunters, materialising 'out of nowhere' to grab their prey along woodland rides or hedges, or indeed from garden feeders. Like other raptors they pluck their bird prey, leaving a pile of whole feathers under their perch.

The nests are built high in conifers or among growths of ivy on deciduous trees, using twigs of birch and larch, with downy feathers added as the eggs (up to 6 of them) are laid. While the female sits the male feeds her (and, I hope, receives no complaints about the size of the portions!).

Thank you to Mick Farmer for the Sparrowhawk photo.



Mark Pearce

Landscape, Design and Rustic Garden Furniture

- Fencing
- Patios
- Drives
- Decking
- Garden Sheds
- Summer Houses
- Fence Panels
- Log Stores



And Much More

Top Quality Fully Treated Timber Products

Mobile: 07875425028

Tel: 01746718404

Robert Bradley Logs

07794 798616



*Seasoned Firewood, Hardwood,
Softwood or Mixed loads of logs.
Free Local Delivery*



Fresh milk and cream from
Cleobury Mortimer

www.mawleytownfarm.co.uk

01299 270359



SKELLERNS

DOORS & WINDOWS



- UPVC Fascias & Guttering
- UPVC Windows, Doors & Conservatories
- General Home Improvements
- Re-roofing & general building work
- Replacement Glass
- Patio Jet Washing



Free No-Obligation quote. FENSA registered company with years of experience

Call on: 07807 759595 or 01584 890681

www.skellernsdoorsandwindows.co.uk



Philip Dunne's Letter from Westminster

Summer Recess

August is a month to which many of us look forward, especially MPs. While Westminster has its own charm amidst the cut and thrust of politics, the summer parliamentary recess provides a great opportunity to spend more time in South Shropshire helping people around the constituency, which given the beauty of our area, is always a welcome task.

As readers will know by now, I have decided not to seek re-election as Member of Parliament for Ludlow - or rather South Shropshire, as the constituency will soon be renamed. As I write, my successor as Conservative candidate has not yet been chosen by local party members, though will be in place by the time this is published. Whoever it is, I look forward to engaging with them as much as possible, and offering as much clarity as I can on local issues I have experienced over the past 18+ years as your MP.

Needless to say, I will continue to represent South Shropshire to the best of my ability until the next General Election. In previous summer recesses, that has always meant travelling to all corners of the constituency to meet constituents, organisations and other groups in South Shropshire – taking up local issues and offering to help wherever I can. As well as visiting the larger towns, as I do year-round, I can spend more time in the remote areas of South Shropshire, tackling the issues affecting smaller villages or hamlets.

This summer I also have the new opportunity to get to know those communities within the additional 100 square miles of the Severn Valley and Burnell wards, which are joining our parliamentary constituency.

Like many others, I also intend to take some time this August on holiday, travelling to Scotland with my family. I have been a fan of staycationing long before covid enforced it upon many of us, getting to know some wonderful remote parts of the UK. So I would commend it to those readers planning some time away this summer.

When Parliament returns in September, I shall be pressing forward the Environmental Audit Committee in our efforts to scrutinise environmental policies across government. I am determined to use the remaining year or so I have at the heart of our political life to do as much as I can to leave the environment in a better state for future generations. Our Committee will be pursuing our existing inquiries into air quality targets, electrification of the UK economy, and our latest inquiry into the role of natural capital - as well as looking for new lines of inquiry for the final session of this Parliament.

Depending on the date of the next General Election, this may be my last summer recess as your MP, so I look forward to making the most of it. If you see me out and about in your area and you would like to raise an issue, please do come over and say hello. Alternatively, please do get in touch by emailing philip.dunne.mp@parliament.uk or writing to me at LCCA, 54 Broad Street, Ludlow, SY8 1GP.

Clarion Clippings - The Local News



A small local business.

I am a qualified lawyer with over 30 years experience offering a personal and approachable service.

I undertake specialist will drafting, lasting powers of attorney, deputyship applications and probate.

"I've used Mandy at Westons Wills and Probate numerous times over recent years covering all aspects of her expertise. Her guidance on the way forward and solutions to issues that she has suggested has been excellent. She is extremely communicative and responsive, and handles difficult situations with compassion and empathy. I have happily and confidently recommended her services to everyone I know that would benefit from her services."

"Mandy Weston of Westons Wills and Probate is a very professional and knowledgeable person. She has now become my 'go to' legal adviser and has taken on many legal tasks for me and my family. Wills, Probate, Inheritance Tax and Powers of Attorney. I trust her judgement and experience to act in mine and my family's best interest. I would highly recommend her legal services to anyone."



Contact me today

"Great expertise and a friendly professional manner"



Contact Mandy Weston Phone 01299 405873 Mobile 07931 411733

Email mandy@westonswillsandprobate.co.uk **Website** www.westonswillsandprobate.co.uk

Address The Old Snuff Mill Warehouse, Park Lane, Bewdley, Worcestershire DY12 2EL

No. 19
The Beauty Room
 with Jane Weaver

Wash away the aches, pains and stress of everyday life by indulging in a relaxing Swedish massage, any combination of back, shoulder, neck, arms and legs, ½, ¾, 1 or 1½ hrs, or treat yourself to a manicure/pedicure, waxing or tinting.

Telephone consultations available to discuss any personal requirements, treatments available at No.19 or in your own home. Contact Jane on 07968 582269 or email 19thebeautyroom@gmail.com

Just like the lotus flower we too have the ability to rise from the mud, bloom out of the darkness and radiate into the world!

Soft furnishing and
 Interior Design Services

Masquerade
 Fabrics Limited

01299 271 680
 36 High Street Cleobury Mortimer near Kidderminster
 Worcestershire DY14 8DQ

Retailers for Sanderson, Harlequin, Monkwell
 Crowson and many more...

Comprehensive design, measuring and fitting service.

FOR ALL YOUR ACCOUNTANCY REQUIREMENTS

Fairway Accountants

www.fairway-accountants.co.uk

Head Office: 01299 822283
team@fairway-net.co.uk

Simon Hector: 07896 439594
sjh@fairway-net.co.uk

THE BREAKFAST CLUB

In July, the Club made a rare excursion outside the parish when 23 members and guests went to Neen Sollars to admire Phil Howl's work on the old railway station. Phil had spoken to the Club before about his work restoring and extending the building. The station, on the Tenbury & Bewdley Railway, was opened in 1864, and seems to have been remarkably large and well-equipped for a rural station serving such a small settlement. It is hard to imagine that it ever handled much passenger or freight traffic in its hundred-year life. After the closure of the line in 1964, the station was sold off as a private residence, and over the years, more of its original features were lost, or fell off. Phil bought it 10 years ago, and has hardly stopped work on it since.

The 'Live & Let Live' prepared bacon baps for us, and Phil and Jackie provided tea and coffee. Members enjoyed sitting on the old platform for a picnic breakfast. Phil walked round the site, and along the several hundred yards of track bed which he also owns, explaining

various features such as the cattle loading dock, the second platform, and the way that nature has reclaimed much of the track bed in 59 years.

Thanks to Phil and Jackie, we enjoyed an unusual chance to visit an interesting part of our local history, and one that is now in good hands.

The next meeting of the club will be on August 8th at the Golf Club, when we will have breakfast, but without a speaker. Those wishing to attend should contact Angela Drennan (270636) to book places.

RAINBOW CANCER CARE DAY

This is Cleobury Golf Club's big fund raiser in support of Rainbow Cancer Care. John Gaskell has been the driving force, with his late wife Angie until she too was lost to this same awful disease. The event has raised well over one hundred thousand pounds in its life here, a tribute to the generosity of the members. As we go to press we haven't heard how much they raised this year, but we do know there was a big turnout, with good weather, the course in prime condition and the usual selection of equipment and cars on display

A very rare sight on the Central Classics stand was a J registered Triumph Herald, the property of Chris Mason, who searched long and hard to find this model to restore in memory of a mate he lost long ago. This was not a money making job, it took years of careful detailed work making the cost far more than the car's worth to honour an old friend. Chris did the engine himself, with Neil from Central Classics attending to the chassis and running gear and Jack from the same firm handling the paint. It's a far better job than a factory could afford to offer, including fascia in exotic timber. Chris Mason paid tribute to company owner Chris Arnold, who let him share some of the tasks when there was no great rush in the workshop. The best Herald in the country it would be hard to find better.



Tele:- 01299-272757 *Hands on Printing* **Email:- clickclick2@hotmail.co.uk**
Mobile 07708 587787

All digital media printed to 6"x4" 5"x7" 8x6" 10"x8"
CANVAS WRAPS FROM 12"x16" - 30"x 20"
ENLARGEMENTS FROM 12X10" TO 24X36"
FROM PHOTO'S, DIGITAL MEDIA & 35mm SLIDES

PASSPORT PHOTO'S ONLY £5-00
WHILE YOU WAIT

MOST VIDEO FORMATS TRANSFERRED TO D.V.D.
USB or SD cards

INCLUDING VHS - VHSC - SONY 8 - DIGITAL 8 - Hi8 - MINI DV & BETAMAX

REEL TO REEL & CASSETTE
AUDIO TAPES & OLD LPs TO CD

PHOTO & VIDEO FILES TRANSFERRED FROM MOBILES TO DVD ETC.

STANDARD 8 - SUPER 8 FILMS TRANSFERRED TO D.V.D.
USB or SD cards
DAMAGED PHOTOGRAPHS RESTORED ETC.

BIRTHDAY AND CELEBRATION BANNERS

Look Who's 50 Today!

VIDEO Filming Service

VINYL BANNERS - BUSINESS CARDS - SHORT RUN FLYERS
INVITATIONS - ORDERS OF SERVICE
B-W OR COLOUR PHOTOCOPIES
SELECTION OF PHOTO FRAMES

Traditional Studio Portraits and Pet Photo's

43, High St.
Cleobury Mortimer.
DY14 8DQ



THE AGENCY UK

Scan code to visit
our website



Local, personal *and* dedicated Estate Agents

THE LATEST FROM CORAL & TOM...

On 22nd June the Bank of England raised the base rate a further 0.5% up to 5% and the market reaction has been a noticeable slowdown in activity, with enquiries, viewings and sales at a lower volume than previous months.

The slowdown was to be expected, especially heading into the summer holidays where the market is traditionally quieter but there are still properties selling, with 10 sales agreed in DY14 since the rate rise.

There are always homeowners who are motivated to sell but in a tighter market, buyers are more price sensitive and we have seen this in recent activity.

On the rental market front, the West Midlands as a region has seen the largest average rental increases year to date across the country, up by 18.1%, with high demands and low stock levels driving this increase.

It is important to remember there are always conditions affecting the market in some way and whilst the mainstream media is reporting lots of doom and gloom, sales agreed year to date nationally are not too far from pre-pandemic numbers in 2017/18/19 which would be considered a "normal market" levels.

If you would like to talk about the market or a potential move in the future, please do not hesitate to give a call for a chat.



Coralie Walrond MNAEA MARLA

Tom Jackson MNAEA

 **01562 541053**

 **kidderminster@theagencyuk.com**

AGE U.K.

From friendship and laughter over a cup of tea to gentle strolls in the fresh air – and from chess to singing – a wide range of activities are being offered across South Shropshire by a local charity, including a fortnightly Afternoon Tea group in Cleobury Mortimer.

St Mary’s Place Community Room in Cleobury is the venue for the Afternoon Tea, run by local charity Age UK Shropshire Telford & Wrekin in partnership with CoCo (Cleobury Compassionate Communities). This is on the first and third Wednesday of each month. Telephone 01299 272 628 for details.

Age UK Shropshire Telford & Wrekin is also running a seated exercise group in Ludlow called the Midweek Movers - plus dementia support groups in both Bridgnorth and Bishop’s Castle.

“If you’re looking to meet new friends or just fancy doing something a little bit different for a change, we offer a range of fun and friendly groups for older people across South Shropshire - and all new members can be sure of a warm

welcome,” said Karen Rawlings, Service Development Officer at the charity.

“Please do get in touch with us and we’ll give you the times, the venues, and all the details.”

Meanwhile, Age UK Shropshire Telford & Wrekin is also looking to recruit new volunteers right across South Shropshire, people who can perhaps devote an hour or so each week to bring a little cheer into people’s lives.

“In Cleobury Mortimer, in Ludlow, in Craven Arms, and all across South Shropshire generally, we need more volunteer befrienders and telephone buddies to help us provide friendship services to older people,” said Rachel Harris, Friendship Services Senior Coordinator.

“We’re especially keen to hear from people who can spare a little time to visit older people in their own homes which is such a fantastic thing to do in terms of alleviating loneliness and isolation. If this is something you’d like to do, please get in touch with us.”

To be a befriender or telephone buddy, telephone 01743 233123 or email

enquiries@ageukstw.org.uk

PRESTEIGNE

Driving out into the summer countryside in this area is a relaxing and gentle way to explore and enjoy parts we may not have seen before. I will admit to being an avid fan of the Welsh Marches and its wide range of attractive small towns and villages that lie down narrow roads that invite a relaxed pace. No hurry, no haste, just gentle progress. We were on a country cruise along the Welsh border and were looking for a tea stop. Presteigne was on the route and we drove gently through, when the signs to the Judge’s Lodging attracted our attention. I knew of the lace but had never taken a look at this historic building. We asked on the road nearby, a pleasant experience in itself, with no bossy parking instructions telling you what to do. The Lodging was old, we were made very welcome and my lady loved the touch of really good coffee served in bone china and a slice of barbrith to add to the Welsh feel. We drove home promising to make a longer visit and learn more about this fine town.



AMY'S FOOT HEALTH
FOOT HEALTH PRACTITIONER
AMY FRANCE DipFHP, MCFH

Services include:

- Routine Nail Trimming
- Callus Reduction
- Corn Treatment
- Fungal Infection Treatment
- Cracked and Dry Heal Treatment
- Thick Nail Reduction
- Ingrown Nail Treatment
- Cream and Massage
- Medical Pedicure
- Pedicure
- Lower Leg and Foot Massage

MOBILE: 07925 236221 ASK FOR AMY OR LEAVE A MESSAGE

WILMAS CLEANING & IRONING SERVICES

Experienced cleaner, very trustworthy and reliable. If you would like your ironing done you can drop to my house. I am available weekdays, and weekend's times/days flexible. References are available upon request.



Please contact me for further details on

07891416477
01299 272 941



Advert-Town-widthxheight.indd 3

06/07/2023 21:58

THE CONVERSATION CAFE

In our **Conversation Cafe** we are hoping to bring people together in a safe and friendly environment. To meet new people and make friends. We invite everyone to bring a conversation topic that reflects their tastes, interests and concerns. Or just feel free to come and join in. This is a free workshop. We have a Cafe on-site where you can enjoy home made soups, salads and cakes so come and have a coffee and see what's going on. Open Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and weekends.

Tel: 07984 354682 @thecwcafe Email: thecwcafe@gmail.com Park Alley, Bewdley. www.thecwcafe.uk

Regular Workshops

Home schooling Wed and Fri 10.00 to 12.30 and 1.30 to 4.00
Men's Shed Tuesday morning 10.00 to 12.30
Knit and Natter Tuesday Afternoon 1.30 to 4.00
Conversation Cafe Wednesday
 11.00 to 12.30

Short courses

Blacksmithing	Stained Glass
10 th &11 th June and	1 st July
5 th &6 th August	£70.00
£125.00 each	Copper Roses
Wet Felting	19 th August
15 th July	£70.00
£70.00	
Jewellery	
12 th August	
£70.00 + Materials	

DEADLINE FOR THE SEPTEMBER CLARION: AUGUST 22ND

**Editor and Advertising Sales: Jim Reynolds, 4 Childe Road, Cleobury Mortimer,
Shropshire, DY 14 8PA**

Tel: 01299 270642 Mobile: 07410 977 212 E: editor@cleoburyclarion.co.uk

Web: www.cleoburyclarion.co.uk

Printed by Badger Print. Tel: 01952 730511

**Collect your Clarion in Cleobury from: Select & Save, Londis, Cleoburrs,
Cleobury Cafe, Severn Hospice Shop, Mid Counties Co-op, Purslows, The
Library.**

And out in the county:

Heath Farm Meats, Clee Hill Stores, Clows Top Store, The Colliers Cafe, Sun &
Slipper, Mamble; Hopton Bank Service Station; Ludlow Library; Mahorall Cider
Farm; Fighting Cocks, Stottesdon; Duck Inn, Chorley; Live & Let Live, Neen Sollars;
Eagle & Serpent, Kinlet; Parker Motors, Kinlet.

**Also from the parish churches in: Cleobury Mortimer, Bayton, Doddington,
Hopton Wafers, Neen Savage and Neen Sollars.**



Comfortable and spacious pens for single or double occupancy
fully licenced by Shropshire Council

visit our website: www.purrfectcattery.co.uk

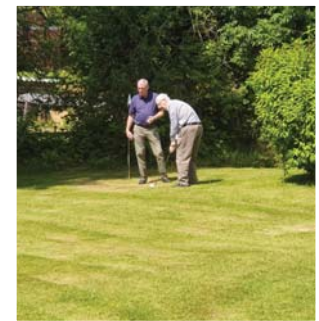
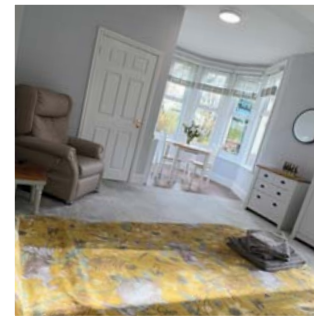
Contact us on: 01299 270565 or mobile: 07968 111415

Or email: enquiries@purrfectcattery.co.uk



Doddington Lodge

Residential Care Home



Living with us at Doddington Lodge

Care and Warmth at its Heart

We would like to welcome you and your family to Doddington Lodge, our newly renovated, privately owned residential and dementia care home in this historic, tranquil hamlet of Doddington, Nr Clebury Mortimer. Located on the beautiful West of Shropshire & Shropshire border, providing you with rescue views from every aspect of our home.

Doddington Lodge is a place where friendships are made and special moments are shared. We organise many fun activities that everyone can get involved with, whether that's a sing along, arts and crafts, collecting fresh veg from the allotment or just simply helping each other with a crossword in our daily newspaper. Each day is different, we certainly have many happy moments...

...a modern bistro dining room and bar with a delicious daily menu created by our accomplished chefs. Individually designed spacious double rooms, perfect for couples to stay together or beautiful single rooms all with en-suites and stunning countryside views. Even a hairdressing salon for a little pampering to provide a place of well-being.

Our home is a loving community and family, where you can consider Doddington Lodge a home away from home. We will provide you with all the key information, guiding you through every step of the process, whether you are staying with us for a short or long stay.



A SPECIAL VISIT FROM JIGGY WRIGGLERS!

We've had an amazing month filled with sunshine and laughter! Our coffee morning was a wonderful get together, and the home made cake raffle prize was spectacular. Plus, the little ones from Jiggy Wrighglers Baby Group paid us a special visit, and it was heart warming to see everyone enjoying cuddles and giggles.



Thank you to everyone coming along and making Doddington Lodge a warm and welcoming home for all. We can't wait to see everyone again for more fun and togetherness in the days to come.

For more information and events follow us on Facebook to find out more.

www.doddingtonlodge.com | E: enquiries@doddingtonlodge.com | T: 01584 707084

Doddington Lodge, Residential Care Home, Doddington, Nr Clebury Mortimer, Shropshire DY14 0HL



Come along!
Coffee morning
on Friday 11th
August 2023



Join us for a warm cup of cheer
and plenty of laughs at our
monthly Doddington Lodge
Coffee Mornings!

Every 2nd Friday of the month, come
together with residents, family & friends over
tea or coffee. Enjoy freshly baked cakes as well
as the Doddington Lodge monthly raffle.

For only £2.50 per person – including your
beverage and slice of cake – join us for our
get-together on Friday, August 11th, 2023,
from 10 am until midday.

We look forward to seeing you!



★ TEAM SPOTLIGHT ★

We would like to introduce you to Paula, a valued member of our exceptional domestic team here at Doddington Lodge! We are truly fortunate to have Paula with us for the past 12 months. Paula, together with her partner Mick and their adorable cat Mollie, calls this local community her home.

Many of you may recognise Paula as she was previously part of the wonderful team at the Doctors' Surgery and Pharmacy in Cleobury. Paula is an avid supporter of Liverpool Football Club and you can often find her and Mick attending matches at Aston Villa.

With her positivity and contagious cheerfulness, Paula never fails to bring smiles to everyone she meets. She enjoys being part of a team and the interaction with the residents is very important to her. Spending just a few moments with Paula is guaranteed to brighten anyone's day! We're proud to have Paula as part of our Doddington Lodge family!



Doddington Lodge
Current Career Opportunities
NIGHT CARERS
JOIN OUR TEAM
#TeamDoddingtonLodge

www.doddingtonlodge.com | E: enquiries@doddingtonlodge.com | T: 01584 707084

CARTER'S ANTIQUES



We are looking to purchase all manner of antiques, jewellery, coins, medals and curiosities.

For a free valuations kindly telephone
John Carter: 07779 311792
Or email: johnbarney743@gmail.com

Alan Smith Aerials

Digital TV Installations.

Freeview aerials fitted and distributed around the house.

Freesat box, dish, and cable supplied and fitted. One off payment, **No contract or subscription required.**

Extra points, Repairs, New fits, Set ups, Multi room.

All work is carried out by a **Local**, fully qualified and insured installer.

01299 270007 or 07970 675728



Natalie Taylor

Dip CFHP MPS Pract.

Specialist Foot Health Practitioner

Specialising in:-

- In-growing toenails
- Fungal infections
- Nail trimming
- Verrucae
- Calluses
- Corns

All from the comfort of your own home.

If you would like to make an appointment, please call on **07779 113982 or 01584 890112**



COUNTRY SKILLS

CPCS/NPTC Approved—fully insured

- Outside Renovation
- Tree Surgery, Hard Landscaping
- Slabbing and Fencing
- Decking, Roofing
- Contract Mowing

Call for a free quotation

R. Price & Sons

Mobile: 07967 140720 Email: roger@country-skills.co.uk



Claire Bradley
Floral Designs

Florist for all occasions, specialising in wedding and funeral flowers

Winner of the Matrimony Award 2020 Best Wedding Florist
Nominated for 2021 Matrimony Awards

Christmas workshops available

Email: clairebradley1@icloud.com
01299 270415 or 07980 580770



Carole Clayton -Funeral Celebrant

07971 543790 - 01584 890007

www.preciousmemoriescelebrant.net

Local, Qualified and Insured

For a personal, bespoke service to

celebrate your loved one's life.



Domestic oil-fired boiler breakdown & maintenance services.

27 years' field-service experience with leading UK boiler manufacturer Worcester Bosch.

Donovan Taylor

Tel: 01299 828670 or 07807 837040

donovan.taylor@sky.com

www.greenstar-boiler-repairs.com

Caring about your environment and providing an honest, professional & reliable service you can trust



BAGGINSWOOD

Bagginswood, Clebury Mortimer,
Nr. Kidderminster, Worcs. DY14 8NB
Telephone: 01746 718732

Heath Farm Meats, Bagginswood

Opening Hours

Wed 8am to 5.30pm, Thurs 8am to 7pm, Fri 8am to 5.30pm, Sat 8am to 12.30pm

Straight from Our Farm to Table

We rear & sell all our own beef, pork, lamb & mutton through our shop on farm. We also make our own flavoured sausages, burgers, home cured bacon, gammon etc. No order to large or small.

Hams ● All Poultry ● Honey ● Mawley Milk & Cream ● Ashley's Cakes & Bread ● Jams ● Eggs ● Cheeses ● Apple Juice ● Potatoes ● Meat Pies ● Sticks & Logs

Telephone 01746 718732 with your order to arrange a date & time for collection

Sorry to hear that Jenny of Shoe Box fame is pottering off to Hampshire. She will be missed. So I will be doing the Shoe Boxes for the foreseeable future. There's no way I can match Jenny, but I will try.

**My contact number:
07976 307 889. KEITH BALMER**

MORE ABOUT SHOE BOXES

For Boys and Girls:

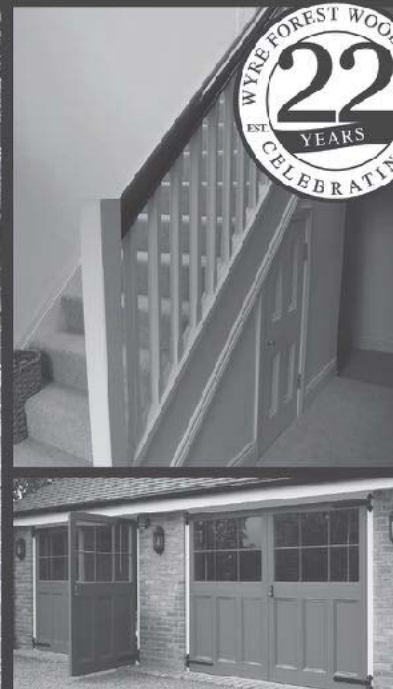
Toothbrush & toothpaste, hair accessories/brush, soap & face cloth, stationery & paper, gloves, hat & scarf, new socks/underwear, a soft toy, game, puzzle, small musical instruments, toy vehicles, small ball, sweets (use by date from June), a photo and message from yourself.



**WYRE FOREST
WOODCRAFT**
purpose made joinery

**Specialists in the Manufacture
of Purpose Made Joinery**

- Tailor Made Timber Windows
- Traditional and Contemporary Style Timber Doors
- Custom Made Staircases
- Bespoke Conservatories
- Made to Measure Gates




TO SEE EXAMPLES OF OUR FULLY FACTORY FINISHED JOINERY VISIT OUR WORKSHOPS AND SHOWROOM

www.wyreforestwoodcraft.co.uk

01562 68100 | enquiry@wyreforestwoodcraft.co.uk

Oldington Lane | Firs Ind Est | Kidderminster | Worcestershire | DY11 7QN

IRENA S.A.C DIP. (DIST). N.C.F.E. M.C.F.H.P.
FOOT HEALTH CARE PRACTITIONER




All your foot problems dealt with:-

- Foot health check
- Verrucas etc.
- Corns
- Medical Manicure
- Callus
- Medical Pedicure

Free vascular Doppler Check of your feet

The Old Farmhouse
Button Bridge, nr Bewdley
DY12 3AW



Mobile visits available
01299 841 277
hessins@gmail.com

Paul Harding  **Tree Services**

- Tree surgery and felling
- Woodland thinning & maintenance
- Hedge trimming & grass cutting
- Supplier of hardwood logs, kindling and garden bark

• NPTC certified fully insured. Domestic and commercial work undertaken.
Tel 01584 890 993 Mob 07970 878 224

Hollywaste Holiday Lets


Our 2 bedroom (ensuite) cottage, sleeps up to 6 adults, situated in Hollywaste, Cleobury Mortimer. Fully equipped kitchen, open plan living room with log burner, dining area and downstairs WC. Includes Freesat and fast WiFi. There are enclosed & open decking areas outside, to take advantage of the beautiful countryside views, and a grassed area for outdoor games.


Open all year round and welcomes adults, children, 1 large dog or up to 2 small dogs

Discount of 10% available for locals simply quote "keepitlocal" at the checkout

Events we can accommodate:
Staycations, Pamper weekends, Shooting weekends, Wedding venue, Minimoon stays, Stargazing weekends, Cookery weekends & events, Camping and caravan pitches are also available!

If you're interested in hiring our space or land for any event and time frame.
Tel: 07962 151322 Email: hollywasteholidaylets@gmail.com FB: <https://www.facebook.com/HollywasteHolidayCottage>
Website: <https://hollywasteholidaylets.squarespace.com> for more information



Glenys Turpin Reflexology 

Reflexology is a non-invasive form of complementary medicine. It involves a method of treatment in which pressure is applied to the feet or hands to treat a wide range of ailments and is effective in promoting deep relaxation and well-being.

Reflexology does not claim to cure, diagnose or prescribe. It may be used alongside orthodox medicine and may be helpful with stress related symptoms and other conditions.

For more help and information contact Glenys...

5 New Road, Cleobury Mortimer. gkenturp@hotmail.co.uk 07763 332759
Diploma of The Bayly School of Reflexology, Member of The British Reflexology Association

MOBILE FOOT HEALTH CARE

Providing a thorough nail and foot care treatment in the comfort of your own home.

Registered and insured practitioner.
STACEY WILLIAMS FHP Dip RFHP
07794 022 618



Cleobury Mortimer Benefice Church services throughout the Benefice in August 2023

St Mary's Cleobury Mortimer

Sunday 6th August – 10am Family Eucharist
Sunday 13th August – 8.30am Said Eucharist
Sunday 13th August – 10am Eucharist
Sunday 20th August – 10am Eucharist
Sunday 27th August – 10am Benefice Eucharist led by Joe Simons

St Michael and All Angels', Hopton Wafers

Sunday
Sunday 6th August – 9.30am Eucharist
Sunday 20th August – 9.30am Eucharist

St John the Baptist, Doddington

Sunday 6th August – 11.00am Eucharist
Sunday 20th August – 3.00pm Evening Prayer

All Saints', Neen Sollars

Sunday 6th August – 11.00am Village Worship
Sunday 13th August – 11.00am Village Worship
Sunday 20th August – 11.00am Village Eucharist

St George's, Milson

Sunday 6th August – 6.00pm Evening Prayer

St Mary's, Neen Savage

Sunday 6th August – 6.00pm – Evening Prayer BCP
Sunday 20th August – 11.00am Eucharist BCP

St John the Baptist, Kinlet

Sunday 13th August – 11.15am Eucharist BCP

The Church Office is open Tuesday and Thursday from 8.00am-2.00pm
Contact details: Sam Dolphin: cleoburychurch@hotmail.com Tel: 01299 272916

DROP IN AT ST. MARY'S

with St. Mary's Pastoral Care Group
Every Thursday: 10.00 am – 11.30 am



Drop in for a free cup of coffee/tea and biscuit, relax and have a chat.




UKRAINE:
Please come in. Access to support and advice if needed.



Cleoburrs CARDS, GIFTS, HOMEWARE, HARDWARE AND EVERYDAY ESSENTIALS!

We have a great range of stock! Competitive prices AND We are open 7 days
Pop inside before you pop online!
18 High Street, Cleobury Mortimer
Tel: 01299 489590
Email: cleoburrs.onthehighstreet@gmail.com
Like our Facebook page CLEOBURRS

BODEN & SON Milk est. 2013

Not only do we deliver fresh Mawley Milk from the farm to your doorstep,
 we also deliver: cream , eggs, butter, fruit juice & now.....
Ashley's fresh bread

Telephone: 01584 891550 **EMAIL boden6400@gmail.com**



Hobbs Building Services
EST 25Years.

A Total Plastering, Maintenance and Building Service for your home,
business and outbuildings.
Insurance work undertaken

Emergency call out service for general plumbing, roofing, boarding up damaged doors and
windows. For a free quote please call;
Ian on; 07967190742
Email: hobbsbuildingservice@yahoo.co.uk Or Call/Text Kelly on; 07790085307



GW

Tree Stump Removal

Commercial and residential.

Fully insured, qualified and professional.

Your property left neat and tidy.

Happy to give quotes with no obligation.

Ring Sam: 07787095668 or 01299832549

Email: sam@gwstumpremoval.co.uk

Rachel Siddall

DipCFHP, MPSPract

Footcare in the privacy of your own

home:

- Nail trimming
- Ingrowing toenails
- Corn removal
- Thickening nails
- Callus reduction
- Verruca treatment
- Diabetic foot care



07478 007913

Clarion Clippings - The Local News

A BEACON ON THE HILL

High on Titterstone Clee Hill, St John's in Doddington has stood at the centre of its community for 175 years. After several successful pilot activities and consulting with key groups, we have designed and now launched a project to support local pride and inspire learning at the same time as providing a sustainable future for St John's. It is called A Beacon on the Hill.

Consultation with potential audiences explored different future uses for the building while retaining its role as the local church. In discussions and through a questionnaire, respondents highlighted the lack of any site locally which enables people to understand and appreciate the natural and industrial heritage of the area. Community consultation particularly noted the need for a place which would enable locals to connect with their shared heritage, as well for toilet and kitchen facilities in the building. In addition, several well-established local interest groups reported the need for a site from which they can engage with the public. With over 10,000 people passing the churchyard every day as they travel to and over Clee Hill in this Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, it has the potential to be the gateway to discovering the rich and important heritage of this unique area.

Having established the need, we are embarking on a redevelopment to restore a heritage building at the heart of the community and use part of it to create a flexible area to serve as a hub and gateway for people, both local and from further afield, to explore and benefit from all this area has to offer, as well as facilities to run activities with and for local groups of all ages. This project will create an exciting future for St John's and help us to serve our community better.

We are incredibly grateful to the National Lottery Heritage Fund who have funded us to develop this project and to Jim from Grevatte & Co who has been our Project Development Manager.

We are applying for grants (with some success already) and will continue to fundraise with regular events - our next is a Jumble Sale on 5 August at Doddington Village Hall. If you would like to find out more or support us, please contact us, follow us on Facebook, or pop into church. stjohnsdoddington@gmail.com 01584 318036 @stjohnsdoddington

Celia Gibb
The community at Saint John's is a great example of getting together to benefit all local folk by recognising the beauty of where you live and developing it to the advantage of all. The recent fund raising Strawberries and Cream afternoon tea was a very tasty example. JR.

Cleobury Opticians

NHS & private eye tests ♦ FREE children's glasses

FREE NHS glasses ♦ Home visits



Opening Times-	
Tuesday	9am-1pm 2pm-5pm
Wednesday	9am-1pm 2pm-5pm
Thursday	9am-1pm 2pm-5pm
Friday	10am-2pm
Saturday	9am-1pm

www.cleoburopticians.co.uk

16 Church Street, Cleobury Mortimer, Kidderminster
DY14 8BX

Tel: 01299 270012

Email: cleoburopticians@outlook.com



All Aspects of carpentry work undertaken

Level 3 City & Guilds in Carpentry & Joinery, 20 years of experience

Tel: 07854 032750

Email: duncpearce1@gmail.com

Stewart Mumford Architectural Services Bespoke Architecture

Great value personal service backed up with extensive local knowledge, established links with other construction professionals to ensure comprehensive packages specifically tailored to individual needs.

Initial consultation free of charge.

Specialist in Works to Listed Buildings, Affordable Houses, Open Market Houses, House Extension and Alteration, Barn Conversion and Commercial Projects.



T: 01299 271068

M: 07977 921039

E: office@stewartmumford.co.uk



A M Plumbing & Heating

- *General plumbing
- *Oftec approved
- *Bathrooms
- *Oil boilers
- *Hot water cylinders
- *Servicing
- *Central heating
- *Power flushing

Call Today: 07565 181554



HURLEY HOMES LTD

Building & Carpentry Services

Tel - 07752 463 651
Email - hurleyhomesltd@outlook.com

Quality firewood for sale

We source our wood from a reputable and sustainable source. Can deliver up to 20 mile radius from Bayton (DY14 9NA).

We can do multiple and large loads. Please call to enquire on pricing.

John Edwards 07531025018



H.C.P.C Number CH22527

Cleobury Chiropody Janet Manley

Qualified Chiropodist
MSSCh. MBChA
BSYA (reflex) REIKI Master

Tele:- 01299-272841
Mob:- 07805-268439
Email: janetpmanley@yahoo.co.uk

2, Tenbury Road,
Cleobury Mortimer,
Kidderminster,
Worcs.
DY14 8RB

A Round Of Appaws

Professional Dog Groomer
C&G Levels 2 & 3 Diploma

Fully Insured

Call or text Jules on
07368359144

aroundofappaws1@gmail.com



facebook
Instagram

A. Farr Painting & Decorating

Give your home a beautiful new look....

Contact:
andyfarr12345@gmail.com 07815 855340

Lisa Steward Ironing services

Hopton Wafers



Please call: 07581065436 for more information

More Clarion Smalls

GUTTER CLEANING SERVICE

No ladders or scaffolding needed.
Can reach any awkward place.

All residential and commercial

Competitive rates

Call Ian on 07870384096



Little Detton

Home Grown Meats

Cleobury Mortimer
DY14 8LW
07825030607
www.littledetton.co.uk

Free delivery for
orders over £30
within 10 miles

Rare Breed Beef, Lamb, & Pork, Sausages,
Bacon & Gammon, Free Range Chicken
See us at the Farmers Market

HIS & HERS

Dog Grooming Parlour

All breeds and
Cross breeds professionally
Trimmed and Groomed



J. A. Guest

Tel: 07790 796 027

Washing Machine

Repairs and Sales

JULIAN BREAKWELL

Telephone 07791 633 746

Repairs to all makes, including
Bosch, Hoover, Zanussi and
Hotpoint

**NO CALL OUT CHARGE
FIXED LABOUR COST**

Ever After

- Breakfast club
- After school club
- Holiday club
- "Forest schools" outings
- 15hrs education funding
- 24U funding
- Age ranges: 3 months to 11 years



Day Nursery
Cleobury Mortimer

Please contact us on 01299 272 777
Or Call in to see us anytime.

Friendly, Caring Environment for the Community

PAUL LYNCH PLASTERING SERVICES

Recently relocated. Offering all aspects
of plastering.including making and
repairing mouldings, cornices, etc.
Fully insured, references available.

07890 049 592

or

01299 272931

Piano tutor

Francis Engleheart

*All ages — I specialise in teaching adults
without previous experience*

I come to you

07710 288526 • fengleheart@hotmail.com

S. L. CARTER

**PROFESSIONAL PAINTER AND
DECORATOR**

**PLASTERING, TILING, COVING AND
GLAZING**

CLEOBURY MORTIMER

TEL: 01299 272868

MOBILE: 07815 483 029

The state of our local police service continues to give concern. Apart from the large scale cull of experienced officers in 2010 as a result of David 'Call me Dave' Cameron's botched austerity measures, he also had the brainwave of introducing greater political oversight of Police services. This involved the creation of 'Police and Crime Commissioners' based on party lines which mirrored the US system where senior posts are filled by political appointees. This system goes against the whole system of policing by consent created by Sir Robert Peel two hundred years ago. That incorporated the principle that 'the police are the people and the people are the police' which has served us well ever since and which has proved better than policing by force used in many countries. You will be well aware by now of the state of relations between the public and police in the US so you can see how well that worked.

Apart from the extra cost, estimated at around £2.4 million pa in West Mercia, this introduces another level of bureaucracy and an incentive to minimise the apparent levels of crime given that one eye will be focussed on re-election. A cynical person might think that one way of achieving this would be to avoid recording crimes automatically unless the alleged victim pressed for this. That same cynical person might also think that making crimes difficult to report would help make an area 'Low Crime'. Apparently we are such an area based on statistics, but are they accurate? One friend wanted to report a case of harassment on line but gave up after being sent round in circles several times so you can see how this might work. And if a crime doesn't get recorded, statistically it didn't happen... As Benjamin Disraeli (and others) have said, 'There are lies, there are damned lies and then there are statistics'...

Still no news when we might get our Post Office back. Enquiries have been batted off by the Post Office with no indication given as

to when normal(ish) service will be restored. They are probably scratching their heads about how to deal with a substantial backlog of letters and parcels which is resulting in erratic deliveries. Even if services are restored, older people are discouraged from entering the premises due to the crowd that usually hangs round outside (and inside) the shop. To be fair, they are not aggressive and usually only fight amongst themselves but for an establishment that could handle substantial amounts of cash, this is not a good look.

More HS2 (currently HS 0.9 and falling) insanity. We are now told that the cost of remodelling Euston Station is now likely to exceed £5 Billion. £5 Billion on a single station??? How? -perhaps everything will be gold plated. It's not clear what has caused a doubling of the cost since the previous estimate but you can imagine the conversation that took place with the contractors. Project Manager: 'Can we discuss the layout of the platforms?'. Contractor: 'I wasn't aware you wanted platforms'. PM: 'Of course we do, it won't work without them'. C: 'Oh, shame you didn't mention that before - a full set will cost you, er, about £1 billion give or take a few hundred million'. PM: 'What?, with cost escalation like that, this whole project could hit the buffers'. C: 'Oh - buffers? - Just let me cost them out for you...'

The wife of Jenson Button is in dispute with British Airways claiming her £20,000 Hermes Birkin (RIP) handbag was scratched during a flight, substantially reducing its value. And you thought you had problems...

So, Thames Water looks like it might go under, having borrowed about £7 billion which they are struggling to repay. They are now tapping up shareholders for 'up to' 1.5 billion so perhaps the latter could respond by repaying some of the dividends they have received...

Cleobury Mortimer Golf Club

At Cleobury Mortimer Golf Club we believe that a really enjoyable golf day takes more than just a great golf course. We make sure that your whole experience, from the friendly welcome in the golf shop to your drinks and meal in our relaxed clubhouse, is all part of a day you'll remember.



Everyone Welcome

Membership available.

Just some of the many benefits of joining Cleobury Mortimer Golf Club

- Access to full length 27- hole golf course
- Opportunity to achieve and maintain a handicap
- Family, Friendly Environment
- Playing opportunities at all times of the week
- A range of competitive opportunities
- Open dawn to dusk 363 days a year.

We look forward to meeting you at Shropshire's friendliest golf club.



- 📞 01299 271 112 (ext 1)
- ✉ pro@cleoburygolfclub.com
- 🌐 www.cleoburygolfclub.com

Hurrah for Herbs and Bravo for Basil

I realised the other day that I've been gardening for over four decades.

Granted, the first two were very much a means to an end, namely sweet/beer money from my parents (the focus of my spending evolved somewhat over the years).

Most of the third decade was on strict instruction from my wife, with all my digging/weeding/mowing being an attempt at maintaining some form of matrimonial harmony.

Frankly, gardening for most of my life was very much a means to an end.

However, over the last decade or so, something changed. I gardened because I wanted to. No nagging or financial reward required. It didn't happen overnight; it was a gradual process that crept up on me. The signs were there if you looked hard enough - mowing the grass before being kicked into action, series recording "Gardeners World", and furtively looking at pictures of greenhouses on the internet - and collectively, they all pointed to me morphing into that most middle-aged of cliches, a gardener.

Like many, my first proper foray into this all-consuming world was growing my own veg (there's a nationwide waiting list on allotments for a reason). I shared the same dreams of living off the land. Rather vivid dreams, in fact - I had visions of the kids helping me dig up spuds, ruddy-cheeked and happily entertained by a little manual labour. My wife would be looking on, sporting Barbara Good style dungarees (don't judge me - it's a thing) and smiling beguilingly at her man as he uses nothing more than his bare hands and innate hunter-gatherer instincts to provide for the family. Of course, the reality was somewhat different, and while yes, there was the odd victory (courgettes, obvs - almost impossible to mess up), they were quickly overshadowed by a long list of failures (gluts that would put the butter mountains of the Eighties to shame, plus the minuscule carrot harvest that tasted so bizarrely metallic haunts the family to this day). After a few bruising

years in the veg patch, plus a slow dawning realisation that we rarely actually ate anything I grew, I gave up on my Good Life fantasies (although the idea of my wife in dungarees still holds an allure), moved to cut flowers and never looked back.

That is until this year.

A few tomato plants have appeared, tucked away in the corner of the greenhouse. And then there's the small collection of strawberry plants in the cut flower patch. Oh, and the courgette plants that a friend donated. It's all very small scale, but most definitely a baby step back towards self-sufficiency.

This potential larder all pales into insignificance when compared to my latest edible obsession - herbs. I've gone BIG on herbs. I mean, REALLY big.

Basil? Six different varieties.

Coriander - two.

Parsley - three.

The list goes on, including several herbs I've never heard of and will undoubtedly never use in cooking. What I can confirm is that homegrown basil - all six varieties of the stuff - is so much stronger than the little pots you can buy in the supermarket. It also seems indestructible and is the dictionary definition of cut and come again, bursting back into life every time it's attacked (around tea time most nights). It's a cracking little plant. Shame, then, that my over-excitement and the ridiculous number of varieties means we now have a glut of the stuff and, let's be honest, there's only so much pesto or tomato-based pasta sauces one family will take in a week. Words have been had.

So, it seems that things have come full circle. Despite the glut of herbs, I'm back to enjoying the process of 'growing my own'. I'm starting to eye up new edibles for next year and may even have another crack at carrots (the non-metallic tasting variety). Now, if only I could talk my wife into some dungarees...

Simon

SEPTIC TANK EMPTYING

CHARLES MAIDEN

EST 1988

Waste Disposal Ltd



Routine & Emergency emptying of Domestic & Commercial:-

- SEPTIC TANKS
- TREATMENT PLANTS
- ALL SEWAGE SYSTEMS
- BLOCKAGE CLEARANCE
- GREASE TRAPS

Throughout Herefordshire, Shropshire & Worcestershire.

Call us now for your free quote.

01885 482305

info@charlesmaidenbromyard.co.uk

www.charlesmaidenbromyard.co.uk

LUDLOW SALVAGE
~ Est 2017 ~
Reclaimed Building Materials
and Architectural Antiques

Station yard, Station road,
Woofferton, Ludlow SY8 4AW

T 07805 312168

@ ludlowsalvage@gmail.com

f /ludlowsalvage

@ /ludlowsalvage

WWW.LUDLOWSALVAGE.CO.UK



W. BROWN

PLUMBING & HEATING

Registered
Heating
Business



OIL BOILER ENGINEER

- Boiler servicing & repairs
- Worcester Bosch installer
- General plumbing work

07974121297 billejbrown75@gmail.com [@wbrownplumbingheating](https://www.facebook.com/wbrownplumbingheating)



CM BESPOKE CARE LTD.



CM AURICULAR HEALTHCARE SERVICES FREE FOR ALL CLIENTS!
Ear Health Checks
Wax Removal
Hearing Screenings
+ Much More



WE CARE
Providing The Following Range of Services:

- Care In Your Own Home
- Nursing Led Care
- Palliative Care
- Personal Care
- Adult Social Care
- Mental Health Specialism
- Learning Disability Care
- Young Adult Care
- Social Calls
- TDDI
- + Many More

**Ground Floor Office Suite,
Upper Baveney Park,
Cleobury Mortimer,
Kidderminster,
DY14 8LF**



Tel: 01746 718816
Email: cmbespokecare@outlook.com
Facebook: /CMBespokecare
Instagram: /cmbespokecare



TOTAL PROPERTY MAINTENANCE

Fireplaces built for multi-fuel burning stoves,
Plastering, Building & General Maintenance

Rob Taylor

Mobile: 07944 074540 Landline: 01299 832734

Email: rptbuilding@hotmail.co.uk

E. PURSLOW & SON LTD

Stone, Gravel, Cement Supplies
Approved Coal Merchant
Calor Gas Stockists
Tarmacadam Specialists
Car Parks and Driveways
Constructed.

TEL: 01299 270314

David Ward
firewood



Do you need a dependable consistent quality supply of seasoned or kiln dried hardwood and softwood firewood?

Cut and split to suit and delivered in breathable 1.2-cubic metre bags, so no need to restack.

Small delivery vehicle, fitted with crane, can deliver to most locations and situations.

CALL DAVID TO DISCUSS YOUR REQUIREMENTS:

Mobile: 07866 441154



FLOWERS by FIONA
07875-077941

**SPECIAL OCCASIONS
WEDDINGS & FUNERALS**

FBK ~ Instagram ~ WhatsApp



CLEOBURY COMMUNITY HUB

Coffee Shop, Climb61, Youth Events

Mondays - 9:30am-12:45pm, 2:30pm-9pm

Tuesdays - 9:30am-12:45pm, 2:30pm-9pm

Fridays - 9:30am-12:45pm, 2:30pm-5:30pm

FOCUS ON: HAF - Holiday Activities and Food

We have partnered with Shropshire Council to deliver HAF holiday clubs and climbing trips over the summer holidays. We have two HAF climbing trips (**11 August and 1st September**). These can be booked on our website and are free to those in receipt of free school meals with a unique HAF code given from the child's school. These codes have been sent out in Parent Mail so please check it and get booked in!! If you are not eligible for HAF then a days climbing with us is £20 per person (7-16 year olds).

Our Holiday Clubs are in **August (16th-18th & 21st-23rd)** and can be booked with a HAF code or for £15 per day.

If you're not interested in our kids and youth programmes, never fear as we have activities going on throughout the summer for adults too. Please stay tuned to our social media platforms as we promote and advertise events. Obviously our incredible coffee shop is open throughout the summer with a slightly amended opening hours.

Sunday 20th August - Sunday Session: Picnic at Wyre Forest

The Sunday Session Social will meet at the Wyre Forest visitor centre at 1:30pm for a picnic and a leisurely walk through the forest. The Sunday Session is all about doing life together, exploring faith and building one another up. This social event is for anyone that likes food, forest and walks, whether you've been to the Sunday Session or not. Please contact Cleobury Community Hub for more details - 07828 116810

Rock Tots and Climbing Clubs will finish for the summer holidays but Climb61 and our Soft Play area will be open throughout. Please use our booking system through our website: www.smy.org.uk for Climb61.



@cleoburycommunityhub



@cleoburycommunityhub

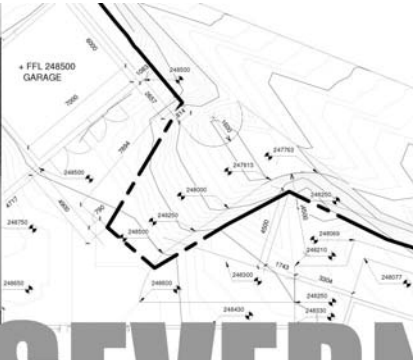
Climb61 Session Times - To book climbing and events: [**www.smy.org.uk**](http://www.smy.org.uk)

Mondays 9:30am-5:30pm

Tuesdays - 9:30am-5:30pm,

Fridays - 9:30am-5:30pm

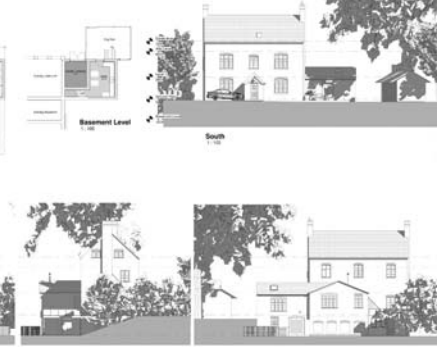
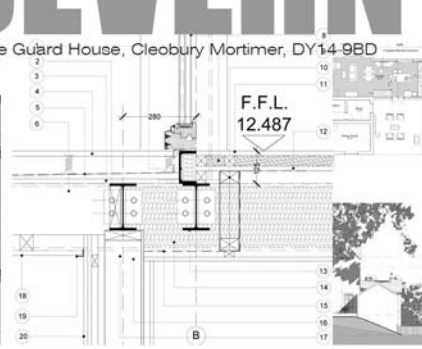
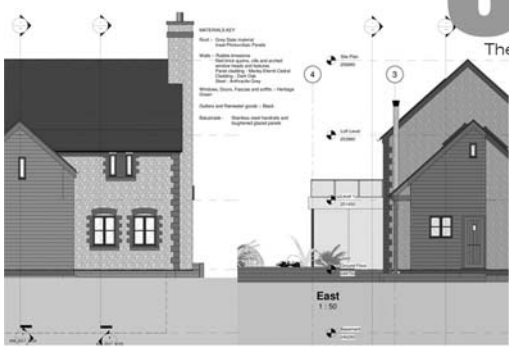
LADIES NIGHT - 7th September.



SEVERN

architects

The Guard House, Cleobury Mortimer, DY14 9BD



We are a friendly Shropshire based architectural practice with plenty of experience in all kinds of residential projects large and small. Using the latest 3D software package and technology we can turn your virtual dream home into a reality.

Contact us now on 07825 759484 or email julie@severnarchitects.co.uk for your consultation

Our Architectural Design Services include

- Design & Feasibility Studies
- General project Advice
- 3D Modelling
- 2D CAD Drawing
- Planning Advice and Submissions
- Building Regulation Applications
- Tender & Construction Drawings
- Contract & Project Management

RIBA 
Chartered Practice

KIDDERMINSTER

SELF STORAGE AND REMOVALS



STORAGE

Free insurance . Flexible Terms
Fixed Price Guarantee . No hidden costs

REMOVALS

Professional Removal Service
Est. over 25 years

PACKAGING MATERIALS

Boxes, Bubblewrap, Tape Etc. for sale
Free local deliveries on orders over £20

01562 744088

www.kidderminsterselfstorage.co.uk

Unit 11 Finepoint Way, Stourport Road, Kidderminster DY11 7FB
info@kidderminsterselfstorage.co.uk

At this time of year, we have either been on holiday already or are just about to go. When things are 'normal', no strikes, no high inflation, no events disrupting our lives, we start to become less alert. That's the perfect breeding ground for scammers.

Today's very sophisticated con artists are defrauders with equally sophisticated technology behind them. Never forget they never let up in their relentless pursuit of finding ways of taking our money. They do not care how it affects us.

Things around us today are not the 'normal' they were a couple of decades ago. With Airline strikes affecting the many travellers who just need a well deserved holiday, to the emerging concern about some banks arbitrarily closing down customer's accounts. Everything that falls out of our 'normal' becomes an opportunity for the crooks.

Social media is overflowing with advertising these days and it's not all genuine. You may have had a holiday cancelled due to a strike at the airport or with the airline or even due to some action outside this country. In comes the rogue with an advert that promises all your holiday plans can be Very rarely will this be a genuine attempt to save us.

False promises backed up with a strong demand for upfront payment will always result in financial loss. For a family of four, this can run into thousands of pounds. How do you protect yourself against that?

Any travel plans especially if it involves flying should be made with reputable operators who are protected by ATOL. A more inclusive protection for any form of booked travel is ABTA. Always check that any deal you make is with a company that is ATOL and/or ABTA regulated.

How should you pay.

Never use a Debit card, if you can use a Credit Card. This is because Credit Card transactions are more protected against fraud helping to get your money back. That rule applies to almost any purchase where there is a risk of fraud, particularly on-line purchases offered through social media.

A newish form of scamming has emerged and we refer to it as Romance Fraud. West Mercia Police report that the number of Romance

Frauds identified each week remains very high. Sadly, many go unreported as the victims are too embarrassed to formally report them. Romance Fraud not only involves the victim's losing money, and often in considerable amounts, but they also have their mental wellbeing affected, as well as experiencing a feeling of guilt and shame.

Fraudsters are always seeking new platforms to set up fake profiles and draw victims into false relationships before the requests for money start to come in. These are accompanied by heart rending pleas about personal or family problems, and emergencies which need finance.

Fraudsters continue to target users of popular social media platforms such as Facebook and Instagram, plus dating sites such as Tinder and Plenty of Fish. As well as conventional dating platforms.

Online Gaming platforms may also be used to seek potential victims since there are fewer protective measures in place. Females over 40 years are common victims as well as younger males, but older users also need to be aware on age related dating platforms too.

Basically, criminals will go to great lengths to gain the victim's trust by claiming they are in a genuine relationship which is built up over time. They will manipulate and exploit the victim to the extent they are persuaded they are in a real and genuine relationship. Then when they ask for money, the victim is convinced there is no problem with the request which can be very emotive citing reasons such as medical emergencies, travel costs, payment of fines or taxes, or even claiming their bank account has been frozen.

Tell-tale signs a friend or family member is involved in a Romance Scam

- They may be secretive about their affair or provide excuses for why their online partner has not video called or met them in person.
- Unwilling to discuss their online relationship
- May express strong emotions for someone they have only just met
- They have sent money to someone they have not met face-to-face. They may withdraw cash from their pension to send money.

STOP, CHALLENGE & PROTECT

Wherever you go or whatever you do this summer, stay safe. Enjoy the summer



Home Support Services

All staff enhanced DBS checked with over 20yrs experience and training within the local authority/social services mainstream and dementia care sector. Fully insured.

Are you in need of support with the following basic day to day tasks?

Assistance during the day or night

Companionship

Shopping/Household tasks

Completing Forms

Pet Care

Attending social events/ appointments

Contact Liz

Tel: 01299 271623

Mob:07826 929222

liz@lifelifeathome.co.uk

Other support services available on request.

www.lifelifeathome.co.uk

Contact Tracey

Tel: 01299 211660

Mob:07957 659909

tracey@lifelifeathome.co.uk

BOOK YOUR
MOT WITH US



LEWIS MOTORS KINLET

01299 841 391



SERVICING & REPAIRS TO ALL MAKES & MODELS

- Clutches & Cambelts
- Exhausters, Batteries & Tyres
- Wheel Alignment
- Diagnostics
- Recovery
- Welding

Follow us on Facebook: [LewisMotorsKinlet](https://www.facebook.com/LewisMotorsKinlet)

KINLET C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL

Love to Learn – Learn to Love



- Outdoor play areas
- Small family atmosphere

- Kind – Inspire – Nurturing – Learning – Eco-friendly -Teamwork

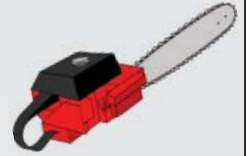
www.kinlet.shropshire.sch.uk

admin@kinlet.shropshire.sch.uk

Telephone: 01299 841210



N.R. Evans Landscaping



- Grass cutting
- Strimming
- hedge cutting
- garden and site clearance
- Fencing, including:
- Panel fencing
- Post and rail fencing
- Picket fencing
- Stock fencing

domestic and commercial customers welcome

Call for a chat on 07535 902847

Email: nrevansgardenmaintenance@gmail.com Facebook: N.R.Evans Garden Maintenance

Booton Brothers



Construction

Rich: 07445298747

Mike: 07853225401

bootonbrothers@outlook.com

All building work undertaken

Elite Sweeps

Professional Chimney Sweep

& HETAS Stove Installer

- ✓ Prompt, reliable & friendly service.
- ✓ Cowls and Chimney Pots fitted.
- ✓ Fully qualified and fully insured.
- ✓ Guild certificates issued after every sweep.
- ✓ HETAS Approved Installer.



Call Eddie Tel. [01299 382222](tel:01299382222) / [07895 612915](tel:07895612915)

www.elitesweeps.co.uk



I.P.T. GROUND SOLUTIONS

Over 30 years experience

For all pipe installations:

- Sewage • Storm drainage
- Blockage/Repairs • Ditches
- Grass Cutting / Hedge Trimming
- Driveways • Ground clearance

For all your ground needs

Contact Ian on:

T: 07870 384 096

E: ian.ptaylor@yahoo.com

W: iptgroundsolutions.co.uk



EVERYTHING INTERIOR UPHOLSTERY

REUPHOLSTERY SERVICES:

- AUTOMOTIVE
- CARAVANS
- CAMPER VANS
- TRADITIONAL & MODERN
- COMMERCIAL & BESPOKE
- DOMESTIC
- CARPET & UPHOLSTERY CLEANING
(in partnership with WE GLEAM)

OVER 30 YEARS EXPERIENCE



CONTACT US TODAY

Unit 19 Old Station Business Park, Cleobury Mortimer, DY14 8SY
07961 712683 / 07961 792103
www.everythinginterior.co.uk
email: everythinginterior@outlook.com

Do you have a Will? Never managed to get it written?

Writing your Will and planning for later life can feel like a daunting process...

It doesn't have to be!

I guide you through the process of writing your Will and Lasting Powers of Attorney

Call me now to find out how I can help

07966366505



I'm Stephanie

The Will Writing Group



07966366505 | Info@thewillwritinggroup.co.uk | www.thewillwritinggroup.co.uk

Bespoke framing and mounting for:

- Artwork
- Photographs
- Canvases



The Framing Studio Cleobury Mortimer

Paul Serrell-Cooke
07791 378240

Bringing artwork and images to life



ARE YOU LOOKING FOR Independent Financial Advice?

Consequential Planning are your local independent financial advisers. We have a highly qualified team with extensive experience in all aspects of financial planning. We can offer help and advice on investments, pensions, protection and mortgages.

Telephone 01299 407128
to arrange a free financial review or visit:
www.cnsq.co.uk





Burning Blocks

www.burningblocks.co.uk



A safe and easy to use alternative for logs for both wood stoves and open fires

Discount for local delivery quote: "family10" at the checkout

- Easy to light / roaring fire in under 5 mins
- Easy to stack / 10kg packs
- High heat / similar to coal on output
- Each briquette lasts over an hour
- Low moisture / 8% moisture maximum
- Store undercover

UK wide delivery available, approx. 2 days

buy online at www.burningblocks.co.uk

For more information:-

Email: burningblocks@gmail.com Website: www.burningblocks.co.uk FB: <https://www.facebook.com/burningblocksbriquettes>



Richard Haines

The Worcestershire Chimney Sweep

- ◆ Traditional & Power Sweeping Services
- ◆ Certified Chimney Sweep
- ◆ Insurance Recognised certificate issued



M: 07752 116629 T: 01584 781358 E: lostcity5@hotmail.co.uk

www.theworcestershirechimneysweep.co.uk




LUDLOW FIREWOOD

~ Est 2019 ~

Suppliers of Premium Grade Ready to Burn Firewood, Beautifully Crated and Delivered to Your Door



T 07949 318014

@ ludlowfirewood@gmail.com

IG /ludlowfirewood

F /ludlowfirewood

Station yard, Station road, Woofferton, Ludlow SY8 4AW

WWW.LUDLOWFIREWOOD.COM

Available in Barrow bags and nets for all your access requirements.



Our Services



SOLAR PV



EV CHARGERS



AIR SOURCE
HEAT PUMPS



GROUND SOURCE
HEAT PUMPS



BATTERIES



VENTILATION



UNDERFLOOR
HEATING



RADIATORS

About us

EnergyZone is one of the largest renewable energy companies in the Midlands, having provided domestic and commercial sustainable energy solutions for over 20 years.

Based next to Hobsons Brewery in Cleobury Mortimer, we are your local experts in renewable and low carbon energy.

The current energy crisis has been incredibly eye-opening as we come to realise how reliant we are on other countries for fuel. Wouldn't it be nice to become more independent and less reliant on the volatile energy prices... well, that's where we can help!

What can EnergyZone Offer?

- With over 130 years combined experience, we are keen to help with all your energy enquiries and deliver impartial advice.
- Totally free desktop quotes for Solar PV and Heat Pump systems completely unique to your property to show you exactly how much you could save.
- Self-consumption gadgets to help you utilise all of your generated energy. Whether its a Smart Electric Car Charger, Immersion Diverters or Battery Storage Units, we can help you become more independent from the grid.
- Ensure your heating is as efficient as possible, through underfloor heating installation, radiator upgrades and smart hot water cylinders.
- Advice on all Government Grants and Incentives.
- Local support with annual servicing through our in-house EZCare package.

Get in touch today to start renewing your energy!

For your peace of mind, EnergyZone has the following accreditations:



01299 270011



sales@energyzone.co.uk

Welcome new Councillors

We have great pleasure in welcoming new Councillors Ken Walsh and Phil Clarke to Cleobury Mortimer Town Council.

The Town Council currently have one Councillor vacancy remaining. If you have a good knowledge of, and interest in our community, have good communication skills, are keen to work with community partners and can attend monthly Town Council meetings then please consider joining us. For more information, please contact us 01299 271154 or email council@cleobury.org.uk.

Councillor Surgery

The Councillor surgery at the Market Hall on Saturday 15th July was supported by five Town Councillors and was visited by four local residents. The main areas of concern raised was the lack of maintenance along various footpaths including Cleobury Meadows to Love Lane and Childe Road/Viols Walk. The Town Council has been in contact with Shropshire Council and the various Housing Associations to request that these footpaths are kept clear, and verges are cut back to keep them tidy. We have also been in contact with several residents whose hedges have grown over pavements causing an obstruction to remind them that they are responsible for cutting back hedges to the boundary of their properties. If you have any local concerns or would just like to pop by and say hello, we will be at the Market Hall again on **Saturday 19th August from 10:00am to 12:00pm**. We hope to see you there.

Neighbourhood Development Plan

The Independent Examiner is currently working his way through the documentation submitted by Cleobury Mortimer Town Council and Shropshire Council and this work should be completed in August. The next step will be for Shropshire Council to vote on the final draft at a full Cabinet meeting and, if voted for, a referendum will be arranged where the residents of Cleobury Mortimer will have the final say. Shropshire Council Electoral Services have suggested that the date of the referendum will be Thursday 7th December 2023 if Cabinet votes in favour to proceed.

Cleobury Festival

The 2023 Cleobury Festival was a great success with around 2,000 visitors throughout the day. The variety of craft stalls, local charities, activities, food, drink, and some talented performers made the whole day fun for all the family - of course the great weather helped! Although the Festival is funded by the Town Council, the success of the event is only possible with the support of our wonderful volunteers, thank you to you all! We are already starting the initial planning for next year and will be able to confirm the date very soon.

Marches Growth Hub – Small business grants

A new round of business grants has been launched for small businesses wishing to grow. These grants support: Expanding and growing existing businesses; inward investment; developing new market opportunities; innovation, including new product development; capital investment; an increase in the productive capacity of new and existing premises through new property builds, refurbishment and extensions. Grants must be match funded and are between £5,000-£100,000. Please see www.marchesgrowthhub.co.uk which gives more details.

Vacancy for a Maintenance Assistant.

The vacancy is available for a Maintenance Assistance to carry out duties in Cleobury. This will be a part time position of approx. 10 hours per week. For more information contact the Town Clerk on council@cleobury.org.uk or Tel: 01299 271154.

Next Council Meeting..... Monday 7th August 2023, 7.00pm at the Cleobury Country Centre.



Letter from America.

Self-care is much more than spending a weekend at a spa, although such a retreat can be helpful. Self-care is ultimately a state of mind that encompasses our thoughts, actions, and relationships with others. It is valuing ourselves enough to care for ourselves.

In today's fast-paced world it is so easy to be unaware of how depleted we can become. The key is to pause on a regular basis to check in with ourselves. This process is known as a "time in." Allow yourself just 5 minutes up to 3 times per day to take a break. First of all remind yourself you are just as deserving of a balanced life as those you are serving, and ask yourself the following questions: How am I feeling physically? Am I getting enough sleep? Am I hungry or thirsty? Am I choosing healthy foods? Am I drinking enough water? Am I getting in some fresh air and exercise? It is surprising how we can be unaware of our basic needs when we are busy, and making even small changes can help us keep balanced. Where are my thoughts? Am I able to stay focused in the present moment or am I worrying about the future? Do I have a sense of urgency that may be beyond what is required for the situation at hand? Take a few deep breaths and remind yourself to focus upon one thing at a time. How am I spending my time? Am I able to set healthy boundaries with others? Am I able to say no to invitations that may not be in my best interest during this season in my life? Am I overly concerned with pleasing others?

Some people, when they think of self-care, equate it with selfishness. It is difficult for them to take time for themselves, although they may be very good at caring for others. Watch your thoughts and choices to help you

Lisa Baldwin's thoughts on self care

become aware of how sacrificing yourself may become an unhealthy default mode. It can be helpful during your end of the day "time in" to ask yourself how many times that day you made a choice that took an excessive toll, that ultimately was not in the best interest of yourself, or those you care for? Awareness of our default mode is an important step in beginning a process of self-care. Perhaps it is something as simple as telling someone you will get back to them about an invitation, instead of feeling you have to say yes immediately. And a "not this time" reply won't bring on the end of the world!

Each person's situation is unique to their own mindset and life circumstances. For one self-care may be require reevaluating lifestyle choices such as reminding oneself not to overschedule commitments, or perhaps finding a way to draw in other help if you are stretched too thin. For someone else it may be becoming aware of how thinking processes may be preventing them from staying in the present moment.

Just as each person's situation is unique, so are different seasons in our lives. Are we going through an especially stressful period that requires different choices than perhaps worked for us one year before?

Balanced self-care is necessary to mental health. The more we are able to incorporate reasonable self-care choices into our lives, the more helpful, in a balanced way, we will be to others and ourselves. While we may not be able to get to a spa every weekend, we can take daily "time ins" to help us make small choices on a regular basis to avoid depletion, and thus enhance our quality of [life](#).

THE AUGUST CLARION SOCIAL CALENDAR

Wed 2nd	DOMESTIC RUBBISH AND RECYCLING BINS EMPTIED TODAY	
	Afternoon Tea with Age UK at Saint Mary's Place centre, Love Lane.	6.00 to
	7.00 Late Night at the Food Bank, Market Hall	7.30
	Whist Drive at Doddington Village Hall. Contact Sonia ears all 1584 89874	
	7.30 The Pholography Club meet at the Market Hall, Church Street	
Thu 3rd	10.30 Rock Pathfinders ste out from Lyth Hill Country Park ,nr Bayton	PAGE 21
Sat 5th	10.30 Jumble Sale at Doddington Village Hall.	PAGE 39
Sun 6th	10.00 CMFA walk of c.4.5 miles starts from the Parish Church	PAGE 21
Tue 8th	7.3am The Breakfast Club meet at the Golf Club with no talker and later at 6.30	
	Dr Mark Baldwin talks to Cleobury W.I. on the history of The Wells	PAGE 5
Wed 9th	GREEN BINS GARDEN RUBBISH COLLECTED TODAY	
	10.00 Walking for Health step out from the Market Hall	10.00
	CoCo Coffee Morning at the Market Hall	
Fri 11th	10.00 Coffee Morning at the very attractive Doddington Lodge	PAGE 33
	8.00 Bingo Night at Doddington Village Hall	
Sun 13th	11.30 Air Ambulance charity event at Highley Bowls Club	PAGE 7
Mon 14th	Taster Session of bowls at Cleobury Club green	PAGE 7
	6.30 Creative Writing Grou met at The Town Library, Love Lane	
Wed 16th	DOMESTIC RUBBISH AND RECYCLING BINS EMTIED TODAY	
	7.30 The Photography Club meet at the Market Hall, Church Street.	
	7.30 Whist Drive at Doddington Village Hall.	
Thu 17th	10.00 Rock pathfinders start walking at Kinver Community Centre.	PAGE 21
Sat 19th	7.30 Flicks in the Sticks shows 'Allelujah' at the Parish Hall.	PAGE 5
Sun 20th	1.30 Sunday Session Picnic at Wyre Forest	PAGE 49
Wed 23rd	GREEN BINS AND GARDEN RUBBISH EMYIED TODAY	
	10>00 Walking for Health step out from the Market Hall.	
	10.00 CoCo Coffee Morning at the Market Hall, . Great value.	
	6.00 Clows ToP Gardening Club gather to travel to 'Highways'.	PAGE 7
Fri 25th	7.00 Barn Dance in the Parish Hall, Church Street.	PAGE 5
	8.00 Bingo Night at Doddington Village Hall.	
Wed 26th	DOMESTIC RUBBISH AND RECYCLING BINS EMTIED TODAY	
	7.30 Whist Drive at Doddington Village Hall	
Mon 28th	7.3 Nearly Dead oets' Society meet at the Town Library, Love Lane.	
AND LOOKING FORWARD TO SEPTEMBER		
Mon 4th	12. Craft Club meet at Victory Hall, Clows ToP	
	The Pholography Club meet at the Market Hall, Church Street	
Wed 6th	GREEN BINS ANDGARDEN RUBBISH EMTIED TODAY	
	7.30 Whist Drive at Doddington Village Hall	
REGULAR EVENTS OF INTEREST		
Monday	8.00 Bingo Night at the Market Hall	
Tuesday	2.00 Friendship Club meet at the Parish Hall	
Thu	Saint Mary's church coffee and chat session.	
	7.30 Tina Hobin's Birth Dance and good health class at the Market Hall.	

in Business Angela Kazimierczuk

Angela Kazimierczuk is a lady thoroughly immersed in music and the gentle way of life that normally accompanies such an interest. Her love of making music emerged at school, where she learned to play the cello and sang with an enthusiasm that carried her through to train and emerge as a professional. She's now been singing as a professional for 40 years and has worked with notables like Sir John Eliot Gardner and Sir Simon Rattle. That singing brought travel and it was on return from a European tour that her energetic moving of heavy luggage revealed a weakness that brought her down and seeking help from a chiropractor. He recognised that her practice of yoga had kept her pain free previously as she'd got on with a busy life. In a manner typical of her thoroughness she studied that gentle art for two years, realising the benefits it brings and now qualified as a member of the British Wheel of Yoga she offers instruction on a one to one basis. Her singing tuition was affected by the Covid 19 pandemic, with the need to isolate and avoid contact preventing the clarity of hearing high

standards demand. No new students were taken on and work was very limited. She and husband Paul are both tutors and made it through the crisis. Her singing pupils and yoga students range in age from some in their 20s to seniors in their 80s, proof if you needed it that personal achievement knows no age barrier. Angela's own experience of recovering from severe muscular pain to lively self employment is a convincing demonstration. A capable lady with a gentle manner and a lot of knowledge to offer.



SINGING LESSONS

Professional singer and
experienced teacher recently
moved to this area
Vacancies available

All styles, ages, standards welcome
Contact Angela Kazimierczuk on
07870 506655



BESPOKE YOGA TUITION



Relax Breathe Stretch Tone
One to one Yoga lessons
BWY trained teacher with over 15 years
experience
Can travel to your home
Angela Kazimierczuk
07870 506655

ONE STOP ROOFING

The Flat Roof Specialists

- Rubber, Fibreglass & Felt
- Re-pointing & Chimney Repairs
- Fascias & Guttering



Take advantage of our offer: Replace your flat roof Making EPDM (rubber) your choice for a long lasting, weatherproof & high slip resistant membrane, with a lifespan of 50 years, **get it for the same price as felt**, which only carries a 10 year guarantee!

Replace your flat roof with EPDM (rubber) & add a skylight or lantern, giving extra light to your room starting **from as little as £400!!**

Freephone 0800 0855277 * 07538 471274

www.onestop-roofing.co.uk

onestoproofinguk@gmail.com

Family business est. 35 years.
All repair work undertaken

Proud members of
Checkatrade.com
Where reputation matters

CLEOBURY SEAFOOD & FREEZER CENTRE

6 Newhouse Farm - Tenbury Road - Cleobury Mortimer

01299 271345

Ready Meals

*We stock a wide range of ready meals, from the ordinary to the extra ordinary !
Plus a range of Vegetarian, Gluten Free and Vegan meals.*

Mr Dave's

*Meat, Chicken, Prawn and Vegetarian Balti, Madras Curry
Mr Dave's extra large naan, plain and garlic & coriander.*

Fish

*Cod, Haddock, Plaice fillets, Sea bass, Lemon sole, Cod Loins, Smoked Haddock.
Battered & breaded fish fillets. Young's Jumbo Cod Fish Fingers.(Very Popular)*

Seafood

*Raw king Prawns, Squid, , whitebait, cooked tiger prawns, scallops, seafood cocktail.
Hot & Spicy Prawns, Breaded Cod & Plaice Goujons*

*New Fish Cakes Thai Style Cod & Prawn, Smoked Haddock, Mozzarella & Spring Onion,
Sea Bass, Cod, Lime & Ginger.*

Fruit and Vegetables

Potato Products

Bannister Jacket Potatoes, Oven chips, Sweet Potato Fries Twister Fries, Hash Browns, Spicy Wedges

Chicken Products

Southern Fried Breaded Chicken Steaks, Breaded Chicken Goujons, Chicken Nuggets, Chicken Bites.

Gateaux for all occasions

BENNETTS ICE CREAM

Opening Times 9am to 4.30pm Mon to Friday. Saturday 9am to 12

Visit our web site www.cleoburyfreezercentre.co.uk

Cleobury Clarion August 2023

Page 62



"We tried artificial flies. We tried lures. We tried live bait. Nothing works ... it's like they're psychic!"



"Blood-curdling screams. Hayes, will do nothing to help us catch a fish."

Community Contacts for Clarion Readers

CEMETERY ADMINISTRATOR	Theresa Ray	07703 965 064	theresa.25016@hotmail.co.uk
CLEOBURY COUNTRY CENTRE		01299 272300	In Love Lane, 9 to 5 Mon to Fri.
CLEOBURY DENTAL PRACTICE		01299 271747	www.cleoburydental.co.uk
CLEOBURY CARERS	Michelle	01743 341995	carerssupport@shropshire.gov.uk
CLEOBURY COMPASSIONATE COMMUNITIES	Katja Jones	07966 080111	Tuesday and Thursday at the Medical Centre
CLEOBURY MORTIMER LIBRARY		01299 272301	Open 9 to 7 Mon, 9 to 5 Tues/Fri and 10 to 1 Sat.
LOCAL POLICE	PC Wayne Strangwood	07773 054 587	wayne.strangwood@westmercia.pnn.police.uk
CLEOBURY MORTIMER GUIDES	Fiona McCallum	07805 737 555	theresa.25016@hotmail.co.uk
CLEOBURY MORTIMER SCOUTS	Lowri Hughes		cleoburybeavers@gmail.com
CRIMESTOPPERS		0800 555 111	Free Police contact. Talk in confidence, to report any crime.
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HELPLINE		0800 783 1359	Women's Aid, 24 Hour support:
HOME FROM HOSPITAL		01584 878046	Help over the first weeks back home from Age UK
MARKET HALL	Kim	01299 272732	markethall@cleobury.org.uk
MEDICAL CENTRE		01299 270209	Out of surgery hours, use the Shrop Doc Service.
SHROP DOC		111	Service available evenings and weekends
THE MEN'S SHED	Pete Blackburn	07776 243 584	petblack@me.com
THE PHARMACY		01299 270219	Closes for half day on Saturday. Delivers prescriptions
ST ELIZABETH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH	Angela Flowers	01299 270318	Sunday Mass at 9.00am
NIGHTINGALE NURSING FUND	Rosemary Abbiss	01746 718451	
TOWN COUNCIL	Clerk Dorothy McBride	01299 271154	Cleobury Country Centre 9 to 2 pm, Mon to Fri. www.cleobury.org.uk . Council meets in the Centre on the first Monday of the month
POST OFFICE		01299 270211	In the Select and Save Grocery Store, Church Street
SAINT MARY'S YOUTH PROJECT	Mark Greaves	07828 116810	mark.stmarys@live.co.uk
SHROPSHIRE COUNCIL		0345 678 9000	
SOUTH SHROPSHIRE YOUTH FORUM		01584 874922	
VOLUNTARY CAR SCHEME		01299 666119	Mandy Smith
WASTE DISPOSAL		0345 678 9007	The contractor is Veolia
WATER SUPPLY EMERGENCIES	Severn Trent	0800 783 4444	
NEWLIFE CHURCH	Pastor E Stirrup	01562 630595	Sunday services at 10.30



eme CLEOBURY



FACILITIES INCLUDE:

- Gym 
- Exercise Classes 
- Sports Hall 
- Outside Astro Pitch 
- Netball 
- Tennis Courts 

OPENING TIMES

MON	7.30am - 10am 10am-12.30pm GP Referral 3.30pm - 10pm
TUE	3.30pm - 10pm
WED	7.30am - 10am 4.30pm - 10pm
THU	4.30pm - 10pm
FRI	7.30am - 10am 3.30pm - 10pm
SAT-SUN	7.30am - 1pm

Pre booking not required for Gym use.
Induction or Disclaimer required
in advance of use.

CLASS TIMETABLE

MON	9.15 - 10am 6.30 - 7.15pm	GENTLE AEROBICS BODY PUMP
TUES	9.15 - 10am 10.15 - 11am 6.15 - 7pm	YOGA YOGA TRX
WED	5.15 - 6pm 6 - 6.45pm	PILATES CIRCUITS
THU	6 - 6.45pm 7 - 7.45pm	STEP SPIN
FRI	6 - 6.45pm	STRETCH & RELAX

Pre-Booking required for Exercise classes
Book online or at the Centre



TEME CLEOBURY
LOVE LANE
CLEOBURY MORTIMER
DY14 8PE
☎ 01299 271317



DOWNLOAD OUR APP



www.teme-leisure.co.uk